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Dear James,

Letter of Support – South Essex Transforming Cities Bid

Opportunity South Essex (OSE) is a private-public partnership whose vision is for South Essex to have one of the fastest growing and most sustainable economies in the UK, providing opportunities for businesses, attractive for inward investors and benefits local communities.

OSE is pleased to offer its full support to the initial South Essex Transforming Cities bid as presented. We also support the aspiration to develop an enhanced partnership with local transport operators and look forward to the improved public transport experiences that residents will receive.

The OSE believes the bid will be of significant benefit to business in South Essex. It will help relieve congestion by providing a fast and reliable alternative to the private car for journeys between employment locations, town centres, new developments, hospitals, shopping centres and rail stations.

The OSE is keen to continue to be engaged in the development of the bid and very much looks forward to it being shortlisted for stage 2 of the fund.

Yours Sincerely,



Kate Willard
Chair
Opportunity South Essex