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To: Local Authority Leaders

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HM LAND REGISTRY TRANSITION PAYMENT SCHEME FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES

I am writing to announce new additional funding available for local authorities to transition their Local Land Charges (LLC) service to HM Land Registry. As part of the Government's ambition to accelerate delivery of national infrastructure, I have asked HM Land Registry to accelerate delivery of the programme, to complete the digitisation and transfer of all local authority LLC data to the new service by 2025.

Recognising the interim challenge this accelerated delivery may place on local budgets, I am pleased to announce an additional £26 million of funding, to provide further financial support to help you complete your LLC migration in this time-frame. This is in addition to the existing burdens payments that are currently made by HM Land Registry.

The Government is committed to transforming local authority LLC services by creating a single, national register across England and Wales. This will benefit home buyers and speed up planning decisions. We understand from local authorities who have transferred to the national service that home buyers benefit from easy, instant access to information.

HM Land Registry will be in contact with you to provide further details about the transition payment scheme and discuss what this means for your local authority.

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