

Is the grass greener...? Fragmented Funding for Growth 2016/17

An independent report for the LGA

1 Context

- 1.1 In 2014, Shared Intelligence, commissioned by the LGA, researched and wrote a report to understand the new funding priorities of the coalition government of the time. The report was written in light of the LGA's *Rewiring Public Services: Rejuvenating Democracy* campaign in which ambitious proposals were presented to give local areas greater control over public money. This report was published under the title of *Fragmented Funding*.
- 1.2 The 2014 report provided evidence to back up the LGA and member authorities' assertion that the plethora of central government funding pots for growth and regeneration acted as a barrier to effective and joined-up action to support local economic development and regeneration. The report showed that in 2013/14 there were over 100 different pots of funding, totalling over £22bn across 20 different central government departments and agencies.
- 1.3 Shared Intelligence was commissioned by the LGA in February 2016 to provide an updated analysis of central government funding streams for local economic development and regeneration. This was in order to explore the extent to which funding continues to be fragmented and centralised through numerous departmental funding streams. In addition to the 2014 report, we have considered the ability of Local Authorities to influence funding streams at a local level, gauging the level of devolved power and input to designing the required solutions to local issues. To deliver this analysis, we designed a rating system to highlight where local authorities are in a strong position of influence or control (see paragraph 2.3).
- The 2015 Spending Review formed the starting point of this update. Total public spending for 2016/17 of £773 billion was announced. The departmental breakdown for 2016/17 is set out in **Table 1**. The government also confirmed its intention to devolve powers on transport, skills and business rates to local leaders, enabling them to make decisions that best drive growth, attract investment and create jobs.

Table 1: Departmental Settlements 2016/17

Selected Departments	Depart Expendit	ource mental ure Limits on)
	2015/16	2016/17
Health	111.6	115.6
Work and Pensions	5.8	6.1
Education	53.6	54.4
Business, Innovation and Skills	12.9	13.4
Transport	2.6	2
Energy and Climate Change	0.9	0.9
Culture, Media and Sport	1.5	1.4
DCLG Communities	1.5	1.4

¹ In 2014 the analysis sought to illustrate how the centralisation and fragmentation of economic development and regeneration funding streams impeded economic development work at a local level.

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Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	1.5	1.7
HM Treasury	0.2	0.2
National Citizen Service	0.1	0.2

Source: 2015 Spending Review

1.5 The ability to find the necessary level of department budget detail was challenging. There remains a mixed picture with regards to the fragmentation of central government funding for economic development and regeneration. Since 2014, the government has reduced fragmentation by discontinuing streams from 2013/14 (highlighted in red in Section 3) but a certain level of fragmentation remains. The sheer length of active funding streams as highlighted in Section 3 is testimony to the ongoing need for more joined-up policy making and funding.

Devolution

- 1.6 The table in Section 3 has a RAG rating split into two to recognise the fact that devolved areas may have different relationships to funding arrangements. Devolution deals are bespoke, but there is an emerging pattern and set of budgets that appear to point to a devolved world with positive control over skills, transport and the new Work and Health Programme (WHP). With regards to the latter for example, places that have devolution deals are being offered the chance to co-design it in a way which is fit for purpose for their area.²
- 1.7 It is worth considering an example of this to illustrate the changing landscape brought about by devolution deals.

West Midlands Combined Authority

- 1.8 One example of this is skills funding in the West Midlands Combined Authority devolution deal alongside nine others. Here, the government will enable local commissioning of outcomes to be achieved from the 19+ adult skills budget starting in academic year 2016/17; and will fully devolve budgets to the Combined Authority from academic year 2018/19. These arrangements it must be noted, do not cover apprenticeships. The West Midlands Combined Authority will also work with the DWP to co-design future employment support, from April 2017, for the hardest-to-help claimants, many of whom were referred to the Work Programme and Work Choice. The Employment and Skills Strategy will influence the co-design.³
- 1.9 The next sections of this report outline our methodology for the updated report along with an outline of all of the funding streams, as identified through desk-based research, in conjunction with LGA officer leads to verify funding allocations and budgets. Where possible, we have limited gaps in information through further discussions with relevant departments.

 2 In 2017 the DWP's Work Programme and Work Choice funding streams will be replaced by the Work and Health Programme.

³ The West Midlands skills deficit is reflected in the high levels of unemployment (9.3%) across the seven Metropolitan Authorities.

2 Our approach

- 2.1 In 2014 we were able to adopt a simple and effective methodology. We relied heavily on departmental business plans from www.transparency.number10.gov.uk. In most instances these plans provided the necessary level of detail. For those that did not, and for the next level of detail, we used the business plans of agencies that sat within departments, such as the Skills Funding Agency (SFA), the Technology Strategy Board (TSB) and the Housing and Communities Agency (HCA). We also used accounts filed for government departments and where applicable the accounts of agencies within departments.
- An immediate issue when refreshing our 2014 work was that the website www.transparency.number10.gov.uk was discontinued after the 2015 General Election. This meant that we did not have access to the detailed departmental budgets that existed before. As a result, we had to adopt a more convoluted methodology. This began with using the gov.uk website, agency websites and press releases to ascertain the status of all the 2014 funding streams (and whether they were live, old or replaced). We then used transcriptions and supplementary documents from the 2015 Autumn Statement and 2016 Budget, along with the new Single Departmental Plans to add new funding streams. We also cross checked information with colleagues at the LGA to try and fill in the remaining gaps and our contacts in local government and Local Enterprise Partnerships to sense-check our findings and analysis (in particular the RAG ratings). The list in section 4 is not exhaustive, and gaps remain. Funding streams where we were unable to obtain information to confirm schemes are still live and their funding amounts are listed in Appendix I.
- In total, we identified **70** live funding streams, totalling around £23.5bn. See Appendix I, Table 4 for live funding streams which are included in the main table (also included in the 70 funding streams), but for which we have been unable to find financial information. As a result, these are not included in the overall £23.5bn figure.
- After obtaining the data for the table in section 4 we gave each funding stream a RAG (Red-Amber-Green) rating. We offer two ratings, one for devolved deal areas by March 2016 and one for England excluding devolved areas. The criteria we used was as follows:
 - Red: Limited or no involvement in the funding process. Local authorities may either be
 consulted or able to set out a wish list but ultimately it is up to government to design the
 scheme.
 - Amber: Local authorities have some involvement with the responsible department to influence the funding process, on what the funding can be spent on, and policy from inception but the money is held by government. It can include co-designing and co-

⁴ As an example, in 2016 we did not have access to budget information detailed enough to update the DWP 'Other Employment Programmes' funding. See Appendix I.

⁵ Where we have only been able to identify the funding over, for example, a four-year period, we have assumed that this is distributed on a pro-rata basis; however, in reality funds are likely to be programmed differently each year which needs to be recognised as a limitation of the data.

- commissioning. In a competitive process, funds will be amber if restrictions are placed on how monies can be spent. Additionally, it is not possible to integrate or pool funding.⁶
- Green: Fully devolved / full financial devolution to local authorities. Funds can be a competitive process and green if local authorities are allowed to spend the funds without restrictions.
- 2.5 We recognise that a RAG rating may not reflect the whole story for certain funding streams. For example, some of the skills budget is "red" in 2016/17, but the future direction of travel is towards "amber".

⁶ Some of the business funds are driven by businesses and LEPs rather than local authorities.

3 Key findings

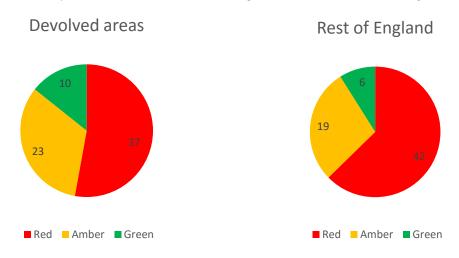
- In total the list of active funds identified in Section 4 equates to around £23.5 billion of **identified** planned expenditure for 70 funding streams in 2016/17. These funds are managed by 11 delivery agencies and 11 government departments. As there are funding streams which are live but without funding information, the £23.5bn is not a conclusive figure. There were also 3 completely unaccounted for funding streams that were in our 2013/14 report, owing to a lack of information. These are listed in Appendix I.
- 3.2 Table 2 and Figure 1 show how the funding streams break down by RAG rating for devolved areas and the rest of England. In the rest of this section we summarise the key findings from each of the funding areas, using examples to illustrate our RAG rating system.

Table 2: Funding streams by RAG rating

RAG rating	Devolved areas	Rest of
		England ⁷
Red	37	42
Amber	23	19
Green	10	6

Figure 1: RAG rating totals

^{*} The numbers within the pie-chart reflect the number of funding streams allocated each RAG rating.



Skills

3.3 Skills funding for 2016/17 came in at £10.3bn, a fall of 9% on 2013/14 (£11.4bn). Much of this was made up of Post-16 funding (£6bn) and the new Adult Education Budget (£1.5bn), which brought together the previous Adult Skills Budget, Community Learning and Discretionary Learner Support

⁷ Smart Ticketing, Northern Powerhouse Schools Strategy and Ultrafast broadband coverage in the South West were not applicable for "rest of England".

into a new single budget line. Although, as a whole, the new budget represents a 48% cut in funding for adult education.

3.4 Figure 2 below shows that the progress that devolved areas have made compared to the rest of England. Whilst there is not a greater difference in the *number* of streams, it is clear that (from research and conversations with experts) that there is significant progress on local influence on the priority issues of those areas. The only differences lie in the Adult Education Budget and the European Social Fund and European Regional Development Fund, which are both amber for devolved areas and red for the rest of England. This does imply that the government is, largely, keeping a tight grip on skills funding. However, it is also clear (from research and conversations with experts) that things are moving in the right direction. For example, the Adult Education Budget will be green by 2018/19 for devolved areas as it will be included in a single funding pot for those areas with devolved adult skills arrangements.

Figure 2: RAG ratings for skills



Employment support

- 3.5 We only identified £264m of relevant employment support funding for 2016/17.8 This includes the Flexible Support Fund (£64m) which continues to support individuals to enter the world of work through mechanisms such as travel and childcare costs, as well as discretionary funding for programmes created to manage specific local issues. Additionally, the Joint Work and Health Unit established by Department of Work and Pensions and Department of Health has an overall funding pot of £200m for 'test and learn' approaches to integrating health and employment. This is split into four strands delivered through competitive funding.⁹
- There has been a reduction in fragmentation for employment support but funding for helping unemployed people into work has been drastically reduced. The incoming Work and Health Programme (WHP), for example, is geared towards claimants with disabilities, health conditions and individuals unemployed for over two years. This will provide specialist support for those furthest from the job market in a way which is intended to tackle long-term unemployment. Job Centre Plus

⁹ The funds are broken down into: £70m for an Innovation Fund; £55m for employment support in a mental health setting; £43m for mental health pilots; and £20m to develop a social impact bond.

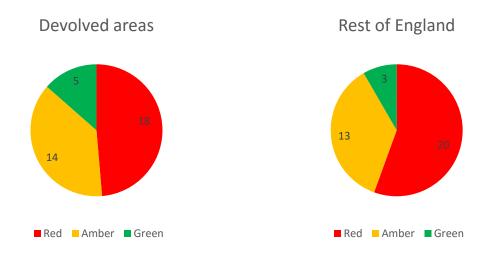
⁸ Work and Health Programme doesn't start until 2017/18.

will continue to fulfil its core role of supporting Job Seeker Allowance claimants until they become a WHP client.

Infrastructure¹⁰

3.7 Infrastructure funding (comprised of transport, energy, broadband and housing) came in at around f9.9bn.

Figure 3: RAG rating for infrastructure



- 3.8 We identified £6.5bn of transport funding relating to economic development and regeneration. The most substantial scheme is the new Roads Investment Strategy (£2.68bn for 2016/17). With regards to the RAG ratings, the only differences were the Bus Services Operators Grant (Green for devolved areas and red for rest of England)¹¹ and Integrated Block Transport (green for devolved areas and amber for the rest of England).¹²
- 3.9 Transport has been a central feature of almost all of the devolution deals announced to date with those areas being promised greater control of more transport related funding streams. Spending on the Strategic Roads Network and railways investment is not expected to be devolved but these are resources where councils would like much more influence on.
- 3.10 £209m of relevant energy funding was identified, with just under half of this coming from DECC's Innovation Programme (£100m a 23% increase). The Innovation Programme has been given a RAG rating of red because it is created and delivered with businesses in mind, with local authorities and LEPS having no impact on it or role in its commissioning.
- 3.11 With regards to broadband, funding came in at £191.5m due to the rural areas roll out funding stream. 13 This is a green on our RAG rating system because local authorities and devolved

¹⁰ Comprising of transport, energy, broadband, housing.

¹¹ Councils receive BSOG for their tendered services and Better Bus Areas also receive BSOG, but the majority still goes to operators.

¹² Smart Ticketing only related to the North of England so an England-wide rating was not deemed applicable.

¹³ We could not obtain financial information for the new Broadband Investment Fund.

- administrations are responsible for individual projects, with BDUK responsible for managing the superfast broadband programme.
- There is also £2.9bn of relevant housing funding for 2016/17. Particularly noteworthy is the £940m for the Affordable Homes Programme and £1.5bn for the New Homes Bonus. The New Homes Bonus is taken as a slice of core council grant funding from central government and so is not additional money for councils. There has been a 95% increase on 2013/14. This growth in funding reflects the Town and Country Planning Association's analysis that the number of households in England will continue to rise, by 25% by 2037. The nation will require some 222,000 homes each year and completions have not come close to this rate for over 25 years. Moreover, the 2015 Productivity Plan recognised that the housing shortage harms productivity and restricts labour market flexibility, adding another dimension to the issue and showing why it is a government priority.
- 3.13 In 2013/14 we identified £17.5m of funding to prevent homelessness. 15 This time, we have been able to give a more detailed account of funds. For 2016/17, the LGA has noted that £139m is available from central government funding programmes but there is not yet a clear breakdown of this. However, some will be available to local government to bid for and/or have other influence over. 16 This does correspond with the data trends, especially with regards to "statutory homelessness" 14,470 households were accepted between 1 October and 31 December 2015, 6% more than during the same guarter of 2014. 17 18

Business support and growth funds

3.14 £3.1bn of funding was identified for business support and growth.

¹⁴ T&CP Tomorrow Series Paper 17, New estimates of housing requirements in England, 2012 to 2037.

¹⁵ We spoke to a housing expert for the homelessness funding streams and they pointed out that although some of the streams may be red, we do not conclusively know what is available to tackle the problem.

¹⁶ Homelessness funding is broken down into: Preventing Homelessness; Second Stage accommodation for rough sleepers; Homelessness Change; Rough Sleeping Social Impact Bond; Voluntary sector grants in Homeless Link; Fair Chance Fund.

¹⁷ Statutory Homelessness – DCLG definition: If faced with the loss of their home, any household can apply to their local authority for acceptance for housing assistance. A household is considered homeless if they no longer have a legal right to occupy their accommodation or if it would no longer be reasonable to continue to live there, for example, if living there would lead to violence against them

¹⁸ DCLG, Statutory Homelessness: October to December Quarter 2015.

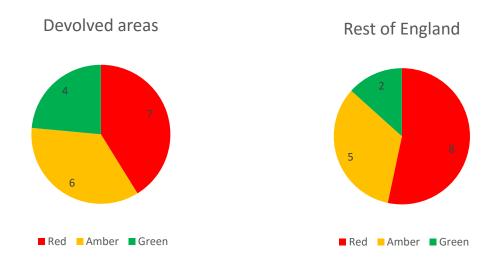


Figure 4: RAG ratings for business support and growth

- £2.7bn of identified funding went to business support, essentially from £600m for the Regional Growth Fund and £2bn for the Local Growth Fund. The Local Growth Fund has been given an amber rating because it is a competitive process bid for by local areas with input from local authorities based on area need. However, it is not green as it is based on criteria set by government and it has to be spent on the basis of the applications.
- £402.5m of funding went to area-specific growth. This includes £10m in 2016/17 for the Northern Powerhouse Schools strategy, £5m for ultrafast broadband coverage in the South West and a 23% increase in funding to £140m for the Growing Places Fund. Both of these were a green on our RAG rating scale for devolved areas, whilst South West broadband coverage was not applicable to the rest of England and the Growing Places Fund was an amber. This does reflect that the original driver for devolution deals was economic growth.
- 3.17 In our 2013/14 work, much of this theme consisted of BIS/UKTI funding which we obtained information on from www.transparency.number10.gov.uk Given the issue of this website being closed down, we simply did not have the detailed budget information for UKTI necessary. Moreover, following the Autumn Statement and Budget announcements UKTI are now going through a major restructure and transformation programme. They have not confirmed full-year funding and cannot provide indicative budgets for 2016/17, meaning that the 2013/14 UKTI funding streams are in Appendix 1 (Table 3), for streams where we did not have the information to even say whether they are live or not.

4 Funding streams

Funding Stream	Source	Department	Description	Type of funding	Funding 2016-17 £000s	Change (%) on 2013-14	s) on RAG Rating				
				,			Devolved deal areas by March 2016	England			
EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS											
SKILLS											
Post-16	EFA	DfE	Colleges, providers and academies receive annual funding allocations from Education Funding Agency (EFA). Funding is calculated using the EFA funding formula that incorporates factors including student numbers, student retention, higher cost subjects, disadvantaged students and area costs. 19	Grant	6,021,000	-8					

¹⁹ This breaks down as: FE Colleges £2.8bn; Sixth form colleges £754m; Academies and schools £2.053bn; Free, studio and UTC £77m; Special schools £115m; Commercial, charity, council and HEI £222m.

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Adult Education	SFA	BIS	Brings together the	Grant	1,494,000	-48	
Budget ²⁰			previous Adult Skills				
			Budget, Community				
			Learning and				
			Discretionary Learner				
			Support into a new				
			single budget line. This				
			figure also includes the				
			budget for Youth				
			Obligation.				
National Careers	SFA	BIS	The National Careers	Grant	77,000	-13	
Service			Service aims to provide				
			access to information,				
			advice and resources to				
			make more effective				
			choices about skills,				
			careers, work and life.				
National Citizen	Cabinet Office	Cabinet	NCS brings together	Grant	200,000	+92	
<u>Service</u>		Office	young people from				
			different backgrounds				
			and aims to develop				
			greater confidence, self-				
			awareness and				
			responsibility. It				
			attempts to encourage				
			personal and social				
			development by				
			working on skills like				
			leadership, teamwork				
			and communication.				
<u>19+</u>	SFA	BIS	This funding will support	Training	926,019		
Apprenticeships			high quality	costs			
			apprenticeship training				

²⁰ The Adult Education Budget will be included in a single pot from 2018-19 for those areas with devolved adult skills arrangements. In other words it will be green in 2018/19 for devolved areas.

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			for individuals aged 19				
			and over. Before, 19+				
			apprenticeships were				
			included within the				
			Adult Education Budget.				
Funding to support	SFA	BIS	This funding will support	Training	79,000		
19+			activities which help	costs			
apprenticeships			deliver the				
			government's reform				
			programme and the				
			growth in				
			apprenticeships.				
Advanced Learner	SFA	BIS	From 2016/17, loans will	Loans	260,000	+102	
Loans			be available to those				
			aged 19 and above				
			studying technical and				
			professional				
			qualifications at levels 3				
			to 6. The loans used to				
			be available for eligible				
			learners aged 24 and				
			above.				
Offender Learning	SFA	BIS	Vocational and	Grant	130,350	-0.04	
and Skills Service	31.7	515	employability skills	Grant	130,330	0.04	
and Skills Service			programmes for				
			offenders in custody,				
			I				
			including funding for the National Careers Service				
Unionloom	BIS	BIS	for those in custody. Unionlearn is the	Cuant	12.000	-37	
<u>Unionlearn</u>	CIG	כום		Grant	12,000	-3/	
			learning and skills arm				
			of the TUC. It was				
			established in 2006 to				
			accelerate and deepen				
			the effectiveness of				
			union engagement in				

			supporting improvements to				
			workforce skills to the				
			benefit of employees				
			and employers.				
Careers and	EFA	DfE	The Careers and	Grant	5,000	NEW	
Enterprise			Enterprise Company		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Company			was created to				
			transform the provision				
			of careers education				
			and advice for young				
			people and inspire				
			them about the				
			opportunities offered				
			by the world. In 2015				
			the Company was				
			handed a £20m budget				
			by the government.				
UK Futures	UKCES	BIS	Since April 2014, UKCES		3,500	NEW	
<u>Programme</u>			has been trailing				
			innovative ideas with				
			industry to test what				
			works in addressing				
			current or anticipated				
			workforce development				
			problems that are				
			restraining business				
			performance.				
Mentoring	DfE	DfE	Government will		3,500	NEW	
			provide £14m over the				
			Spending Review period				
			to deliver a mentoring scheme for				
			disadvantaged young				
			teenagers.				

European Social		EU	£5.3bn for England for		883,333		
Fund and European			the European Social		883,333		
Regional			Fund (ESF) and				
Development Fund			European Regional				
Development Fund			Development Fund				
			-				
			(ERDF). The ESF is a Structural Fund for the				
			European Union. It				
			improves the skills of				
			the workforce and helps				
			people who have				
			difficulties finding work.				
			The ERDF aims to				
			strengthen economic				
			and social cohesion in				
			the EU by correcting				
			imbalances between its				
			regions.				
<u>Troubled Families²¹</u>	DCLG	DCLG	The Troubled Families	Grant	200,000	+47 ²²	
			programme is a DCLG				
			scheme with the stated				
			aim of helping troubled				
			families turn their lives				
			around. The £200m				
			funding for 2015 to 2016				
			– the first of 5 years –				
			included new incentives				
			for local services such as				
			the police, health and				
			social services to work				
			more closely together in				
			order to reduce costs				

²¹ Troubled Families did not sit easily in any of the categories but housing is the closest. Worth noting that the programme is aimed more at social cohesion. ²² Extended to about 40,000 extra families.

			and improve outcomes for families.				
Skills total			for families.			1	10,294,702
							10,234,702
EMPLOYME	NT SUPP	ORT					
Work and Health	DWP	DWP	Replaces the Work	PbR	130,000 (from 2017 so	-638	
Programme			Programme and Work		not included in 16/17		
			Choice in October 2017.		figures)		
Flexible Support	DWP	DWP	The "Flexible Support	Grant	64,000	-33	
Fund ²³			Fund" (FSF) gives				
			Jobcentre Plus Districts				
			greater freedom to				
			tailor back to work				
			support to individual				
			and local need.				
Work and Health	DWP	DWP	£200m funding	Grant	200,000	NEW	
<u>Unit</u>			announced to lead the				
			drive for improving				
			work and health				
			outcomes for people				
			with health conditions				
			and disabilities. The				
			funds are broken down				
			into: £70m for an				
			Innovation Fund; £55m				
			for employment				
			support in a mental				
			health setting; £43m for				
			mental health pilots;				
			and £20m to develop a				
			social impact bond.				
Employment suppo	ort total						264,000

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²³ For the Flexible Support Fund, the RAG system denotes a score of 0.5 amber and 0.5 red for both devolved areas and the rest of the England.

INFRASTRUCTURE

TRANSPORT

Bus Services	DfT	DfT	In 2013/14 there was a	Grant	250,000 (In 2014/15	The BSOG will	
Operators Grant			Better Bus Areas fund.		this was a total of	also be	
			The way government		£295m)	devolved to	
			support for bus services			areas that	
			in England is currently			adopt bus	
			being reformed through			franchising.	
			the Bus Services Bill.				
Maintenance ²⁴	DfT	DfT	The funding available for	Capital	976,000	+30	
			highways maintenance				
			recognises the economic				
			and social importance of				
			well-maintained				
			highways to local				
			communities. ²⁵				
Maintenance ²⁶	HA	DfT	The Highway's England	Capital/	726,000 capital	+108	
			carries out routine	Resource	262,000 resource		
			maintenance and				
			renewal of roads. (Blue				
			Book)				
Integrated block	DfT	DfT	This will support	Capital	258,000	-19	
<u>transport</u> ²⁷			authorities in delivering				
			integrated transport				
			schemes that improve				
			road safety and				
			accessibility, reduce				

²⁴ https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/479749/52229_Blue_Book_PU1865_Web_Accessible.pdf

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/390216/highways-maintenance-explantory-note.pdf

 $^{^{\}rm 25}$ About 20% of funding is top-sliced for an incentive element and Challenge Fund

²⁶ https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/424467/DSP2036-184_Highways_England_Delivery_Plan_FINAL_low_res_280415.pdf

1			congestion and carbon				
1			and help achieve other				
			key goals at the local				
1			level. At the 2015				
1			Spending Review £1.3bn				
1			in funding was				
1			confirmed.				
Major schemes	НА	DfT	The Highway's Agency	Capital	1,086,000	+17	
<u>programme</u>			undertakes large scale				
1			improvements of the				
1			road network through				
1			the major schemes				
1			programme.				
Rail Industry R&D	DfT	DfT	The Enabling Innovation	Grant	4,000	-56	
Funding (Future			Team is hosted by RSSB				
Railways) ²⁸			and is funded initially by				
			a grant from DfT. The				
1			£4m TOC'16				
1			competition challenges				
			train operators and				
1			suppliers to work				
1			together to develop new				
1			and innovative ways to				
			improve rail services.				
Sustainable Travel	DfT	DfT	The money will help	Revenue	20,000	NEW	
Transition Year			local authorities who				
<u>Revenue</u>			want to continue a				
Competition			sustainable transport				
			project that has proven				
			successful in the past,				
			or to progress plans to				
1			improve access to jobs,				
			skills, training and				
1			education. The				

²⁸ See also: http://www.rssb.co.uk/industry-news/%C2%A34m-innovation-competition-to-improve-rail-services-launched

			competition follows the end of the Local Sustainable Transport Fund, which ran from 2011-2015. Additionally, a new £500m Accessibility Fund will grow from the legacy of the LSTF, but as part of the Local Growth Fund.	Carital	05.000	NIEW.	
Large local transport projects	DfT	DfT	£475m over the next 5 years to fund large local transport projects, enabling local areas to bid for funding for projects that would be too expensive for them to pay for by themselves, such as the Lowestoft Third River Crossing and the North Devon Link Road.	Capital	95,000	NEW	
Roads Investment Strategy	DfT	DfT	The first Roads Investment Strategy outlines a long-term programme for motorways and major roads with funding to plan ahead.	Capital	2,680,000	NEW	

Development Fund	DfT	DfT	£300m to help the development of the next generation of transformational transport infrastructure, including CrossRail 2.	Capital	60,000	NEW	
Smart Ticketing	DfT	DfT	The Government is providing £150m over the Parliament to support the delivery of smart and integrated ticketing across local transport and rail services in the North.	Grant	30,000	-23 (but 2013/14 work didn't specify "The North").	N/A
Regional Air Connectivity Fund			Supporting new air routes promoting domestic and international connectivity and stimulating jobs and growth. These will include new routes from Newcastle to Norwich; from Carlisle to Belfast, Dublin and Southend; and from Leeds Bradford to Newquay.		1,400	NEW	
Pothole Action Fund			Enables local authorities to fill nearly a million potholes.		50,000	NEW	
Local Majors Fund			The Government is allocating £151m in the first round of allocation for the Local Majors		30,200	NEW	

Transport total ENERGY			Fund, designed to fund transformative local transport projects.				6,528,600
LIVERGI							
Nuclear Research and Development Programme	DECC	DECC	The government is providing the £250m for small modular reactor development and wider nuclear R&D, creating opportunities for the North's centres of nuclear excellence in the Sheffield City Region, Greater Manchester and Cumbria, as well as the nuclear research base across the UK.	Grant	50,000	NEW	
Energy efficiency of public sector buildings			The government will provide £295m over 5 years to improve the energy efficiency of schools, hospitals and other public sector buildings.		59,000	NEW	
Innovation Programme ²⁹	DECC	DECC	In the 2015 Autumn Statement it was announced that the Innovation Programme would be doubled to £500m over 5 years.	Grant	100,000	+23	

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²⁹ See also: http://transparency.number10.gov.uk/assets/client/pdf/decc-expenditure.pdf

Waste and Resources Action Programme	WRAP	DEFRA	This will "strengthen the future security of supply, reduce the costs of decarbonisation and boost industrial and research capabilities. WRAP is Defra's principal delivery body for the provision of advice and technical and financial support on waste reduction and resource efficiency in England. It helps English businesses, industry, civil society organisations, local authorities and households become more efficient in the way they manage and use raw materials, water	Business Support			
			and energy.				
Energy total							209,000
BROADBAND							
Broadband delivery UK – roll out in rural areas ³⁰	DCMS	DCMS	Central government committed £790m until 2017 in the 2013 Infrastructure Plan to continue to improve the UK's broadband network, with particular	Grant	191,500	+45	

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³⁰ https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/501113/Broadband_Performance_Indicator - December_2015.pdf

	1		T		1		
			emphasis on making				
			high-speed broadband				
			available in rural				
			communities. BDUK is				
			responsible for				
			managing the superfast				
			broadband programme,				
			while local authorities				
			and devolved				
			administrations are				
			responsible for				
			individual projects. Up				
			to December 2015				
			Government has spent				
			£407m, meaning £383m				
			remains.				
Broadband			The government will, in			NEW	
Investment Fund			partnership with the				
			private sector, establish				
			a new Broadband				
			Investment Fund. The				
			fund will operate on a				
			commercial basis to				
			support the growth of				
			alternative network				
			developers by providing				
			greater access to				
			finance.				
Broadband total							191,500
HOUSING							
Affordable Homes	HCA	DCLG	The Shared Ownership	Grant/lo	940,000	+2	
Programme			and Affordable Homes	ans			
<u>—</u>			Programme 2016-21				
			prospectus invites				
			applications for up to				
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New Homes Bonus ³¹ Preventing	HCA	DCLG	£4.7bn of funding to increase the supply of new shared ownership and affordable homes. The New Homes Bonus is a system in which councils are rewarded for the provision of new homes. The system rewards councils in an equal way for homes provided through bringing empty homes back into use and for newly built homes. Funding to prevent	Redistrib ution of core funding	1,485,000 78,688	+98	
Rogue Landlords	DCLG	DCLG	homelessness. A fund to clampdown on illegal letting in particular councils (incorporates Beds in Sheds).	Grant	5,000		
Care and Support Specialised Housing	DH	DH	The main aim of the fund (2013-17) is to support and accelerate the development of the specialised housing market, particularly at a time when the wider economic factors may place limitations on the growth of this market.	Grant	32,000	0	
Build to Rent	НСА	DCLG	The Build to Rent fund is a fully recoverable	Loans			

³¹ RAG rating: The GLA New Homes Bonus took all London authorities' New Homes Bonus allocations and put a set of criteria against which authorities bid for the money.

investment where the government shares risk or bridges finance to help schemes to be built, managed and let.
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help schemes to be
built, managed and let.
The investment could be
used to cover costs such
as land, construction or
management costs.
Once the scheme is fully
let the developer will
sell on their interest or
re-finance and repay the
investment.
Custom Build HCA DCLG £150m of funding Loans 25,000 +400
designed to fund the
development of serviced
plots to support the
growing number of
people who want to
custom build their own
home. Funding is on the
basis of a fully
recoverable loan,
operating by making
direct investments in
specific projects through
loans to bring forward
serviced building plots
for custom build
projects.
Fair Chance Fund DCLG DCLG At the end of 2014 it Grant 5,000 NEW
was announced that the
Fair Chance Fund would
pay for sustained
housing, employment

			and educational support for homeless 18				
			to 24 year olds with investors putting in				
			money now on a long-				
			term payment by				
			results basis.				
Community-led	DCLG	DCLG	In Budget 2016 the	Receipts	12,000	NEW	
housing			government announced				
developments			it will provide £60m of				
			the additional receipts				
			from higher rates on additional residential				
			properties to enable				
			community-led housing				
			developments,				
			including through				
			Community Land Trusts,				
			in rural and coastal				
			communities where the				
			impact of second homes				
			is particularly acute.				
Starter Homes	HCA	DCLG	This £10m aims to help	Grant	2,000	NEW	
			local authorities				
			prepare vacant and				
			underused brownfield				
			land so that high-				
			quality homes can be				
			made available for first				
			time buyers and				
			contribute to the				
			government's target of				
			200,000 starter homes				
			over the course of the				
			2015-2020 parliament.				
			Funding was made on a				

			grant funding non-				
			recoverable basis and				
			had to be spent by				
			March 2016 so that				
			starter homes can be				
			built in 2017 to 2018.				
Second Stage		DCLG	Budget 2016 announced	Grant	20,000	NEW	
<u>accommodation</u>			£100m of investment to				
for rough sleepers			deliver low-cost 'second				
			stage' accommodation				
			for rough sleepers				
			leaving hostel				
			accommodation and				
			domestic abuse victims				
			and their families				
			moving on from				
			refuges.				
Voluntary sector			Voluntary sector grants	Grant		NEW	
grants in			in Homeless Link.				
Homeless Link							
Homelessness	HCA	DCLG	The Homes and	Capital	12,500	NEW	
<u>Change</u>			Communities Agency is				
			allocating a share of up				
			to £25m capital funding				
			from 2015-2017 for				
			specialist housing				
i			providers, on behalf of				
i			the Department of				
			Health, to bring forward				
			proposals for				
			developing and				
			improving hostel				
			accommodation and				
			facilities for the delivery				
			of healthcare, training				
			or education aimed at				

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			supporting rough				
			sleepers, those at risk of				
			sleeping rough, and				
			other non-statutory				
			homeless people of				
			specialist housing.				
Rent to Buy 2015	HCA	DCLG	Applicants can bid for	Loans	100,000	NEW	
to 2017			up to £200m of				
			recoverable loans to				
			support the building of				
			fixed term affordable				
			homes between 2015				
			and 2017.				
<u>Estate</u>	HCA	DCLG	This programme will	Loans	37,500	NEW	
Regeneration			help to regenerate run				
Programme			down estates, increase				
			the number of homes				
			and improve the quality				
			of life for residents. In				
			the 2014 Budget, the				
			government announced				
			the £150m fund,				
			available for financial				
			years 2015/16 to				
			2018/19.				
Builders' Finance	HCA	DCLG	This £525m funding	Grant	212,500	NEW	
<u>Fund</u>			stream is designed to				
			accelerate and unlock				
			housing developments				
			of between 15 and 250				
			homes that have				
			slowed down or stalled.				
			The funding is available				
			on a recoverable basis				
			and will operate by				
			making direct				

Rough Sleeping Social Impact Bond	GLA	DCLG	investments in specific projects through loans to address cashflow issues or by taking an equity stake to build confidence through risk-sharing. The fund will make investments over two years from 2015/16 to 2016/17. To drive innovative ways of tackling entrenched rough sleeping, including 'Housing First' approaches. £10m of funding was announced	Grant	2,000	NEW		
			in the 2016 Budget.					
Housing total		I	= = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	<u>l</u>	l	1		2,969,188
Infrastructure total								9,898,288
			GR	OWTH			1	
Growing Places Fund	DCLG	DCLG	The Growing Places Fund will enable the development of local funds to address infrastructure constraints, promoting economic growth and the delivery of jobs and houses.	Grant	140,000	+23		
Coastal Communities Fund	BIG	НМТ	The Coastal Communities Fund (CCF) aims to encourage the economic development of UK coastal	Grant	21,000	-28		

			communities by awarding funding to create sustainable				
			economic growth and jobs. The third round of				
			CCF opened on 7 March				
			2014 with a total of				
			around £64m available.				
			The next round of CCF,				
			for projects starting in				
			2017-18, will open for				
			applications this				
Flood Defences	DEFRA	DEFRA	summer. Flood and coastal	Grant			
<u>Flood Defences</u>	DEFRA	DEFRA	erosion risk	Grant			
			management through				
			grants to the				
			Environment Agency				
			and local authorities.				
			Whilst we know the				
			capital settlement for				
			2016/17 is £395m, the				
			revenue funding will be				
			provided in an update this summer to this				
			report.				
Northern	DfE	DfE	The government says		10,000	NEW	N/A
Powerhouse			that this funding will		Increases to £25m for		,.
Schools Strategy			"ensure rapid action is		both 17/18 and 18/19		
			taken to tackle the		and £20m for 19/20.		
			unacceptable divides		Was billed as £20m a		
			that have seen		year in new funds.		
			educational progress in				
			some parts of the North				
			lag behind the rest of				
			the country". Funding				

			will seek to raise education standards across the Northern Powerhouse. The £10m of funding for 2016/17 will increase to £25m for both 17/18 and 18/19 and £20m for 19/20.				
Ultrafast broadband coverage in the South West			The government will distribute £14.5m in grants to extend ultrafast broadband coverage in the South West.		5,000 £5m to follow in 17/18. Remaining £4.5m to be distributed depending on procurement outcomes.	NEW	N/A
City Deals			The City Deals aim to give cities the powers and tools they need to drive local economic growth; unlock projects or initiatives that will boost their economies; and strengthen the governance arrangements of each city.		145,000	NEW	
Countryside Productivity Scheme	RDPE	DEFRA	Replaces the Farm and Forestry Improvement Scheme. The Countryside Productivity Scheme is currently closed for applications, but farmers, woodland owners and forestry contractors could apply	Grant	1,000	NEW	

Rural Services Delivery Grant ³³	DCLG	DCLG	for grants. £5m is available from 2015-2020. ³² This money was given to help Councils in rural areas balance their budgets.	Grant	80,500	NEW		
Growth Programme: grants for the rural economy	RDPE	DEFRA	The Growth Programme provides funding to help projects in England which create jobs and help rural economy growth. These grants are funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD).34	Grant		NEW		
Area specific growth	n total	.	,			'		402,500
BUSINESS SU	_						'	
Regional Growth Fund	DCLG	DCLG	The Government established the Regional Growth Fund (RGF) in June 2010 to support projects with the potential to deliver economic growth and additional, sustainable private-sector jobs, particularly in areas that	Grant	600,000	0		

http://www.ritchey.co.uk/rdpe-ffps-agricultural-grants-2015/default.aspx
 See also: http://www.rsnonline.org.uk/

³⁴ The most equivalent "successor" programme to the Skills and Knowledge Transfer Programme.

			rely more on the public sector for unemployment.				
			Following the 2015 Spending Review, no				
			future rounds of RGF are				
			proposed.				
Creative England	DCMS	DCMS	Creative England is a	Grant	EU funding, Regional		
			national agency that		Growth Fund and		
			invests in and supports		National Lottery. ³⁵		
			the best creative ideas,				
26	DIG.	510	talent and businesses.		66.000		
Start-up loans ³⁶	BIS	BIS	Start-up loans is a	Loans	66,000	+55	
			government-backed scheme to fund and				
			mentor young				
			entrepreneurs. They will				
			work with you to				
			develop your idea, and				
			help you present your				
			business proposal to a				
			panel where you'll pitch				
			for a loan.				
Local Growth	DCLG	DCLG	The Local Growth Fund,	Grant	2,000,000	NEW	
Fund ³⁷			created following the				
			Heseltine Review, puts				
			money under the direct				
			control of business-led				
			LEPs. The government				
			has committed to a				
			£12bn Local Growth				
			Fund between 2015-16				

³⁶ See also: http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/about/partners-and-funders
36 See also: https://www.startuploans.co.uk/faqs/

³⁷ SFA Capital Spending and Rural Growth Networks (from 13/14 work) has been wrapped into the LGF.

			and 2020 24 II				
			and 2020-21. It				
			empowers local				
			communities to deliver				
			growth by allowing				
			them to respond				
			flexibly to the specific				
			opportunities in their				
			area.				
Export promotion	UKTI	BIS	The government has		35,000	NEW	
and investment			announced it will				
agency			provide £175m for UKTI				
			to develop into a world-				
			class export promotion				
			and investment agency				
			which enhances direct				
			support for businesses.				
Business Angel Co-	BIS	BIS	The Angel CoFund	Equity			
investment fund			invests amounts of	funds			
			£100,000 to £1 million				
			into small and medium				
			sized businesses with				
			high growth potential,				
			working in partnership				
			with syndicates of				
			experienced business				
			angels to help				
			= -				
			companies fulfil their				
Now Enternation	DIC	DIC	promise.	1.000/04-			
New Enterprise	BIS	BIS	New Enterprise	Loan/gra			
Allowance			Allowance can provide	nt/busin			
			money and support to	ess .			
			help you start your own	support			
			business if you're				
			getting certain benefits.				

Business is Great	Co-delivery	BIS	The GREAT initiative is	Business		
			an international	promotio		
			campaign to maximise	n		
			the tourism and			
			business opportunities			
			of the UK hosting the			
			2012 Games. It involves			
			representatives from			
			across the political			
			spectrum and non-			
			government partners.			
Business support t	otal					2,701,000

Appendix I: Funding streams without data

As mentioned in section 2, we have been unable to repeat the methodology we used to produce our 2014 report.

Below are two tables. Table 2 is the list of funding streams for which we could not obtain information to allow us to either place them in the main table or in Appendix II (old streams). Table 3 is a list of streams that know are live but for which we could not obtain 2016/17 financial information.

Table 3: Funding streams without information (which means we do not know if it is live or closed)

Funding stream	Source	Department	Funding 2013/14 £000s
Waste PFI Credits	DEFRA	DEFRA	84,500
Local Infrastructure Fund	HCA	DCLG	267,000
Promotional expenditure	UKTI	BIS	42,200
Passport to Export	UKTI	BIS	1,100
International Trade Advice	UKTI	BIS	21,300
High Value Opportunities	UKTI	BIS	11,400
Programme			
Marketing and Publicity	UKTI	BIS	4,600
Tradeshow Access Programme	UKTI	BIS	12,600
Sector-specific support	UKTI	BIS	8,900
Business Specialists	UKTI	BIS	8,600

Table 4: Live funding streams lacking financial information

Funding stream	Source	Department	Funding 2013/14 £000s
Growth Programme	RDPE	DEFRA	NEW
Broadband Investment Fund			NEW
Voluntary sector grants in Homeless Link			NEW
Build to Rent	HCA	DCLG	175,000
Waste and Resources Action Programme	WRAP	DEFRA	26,000
Flood Defences	DEFRA	DEFRA	574,000
Creative England	DCMS	DCMS	10,400
Business Angel Co-investment fund	BIS	BIS	50,000
New Enterprise Allowance	BIS	BIS	10,750
Business is Great	Co-delivery	BIS	30,000

Appendix II: Old streams

In this section we list all the funding streams from our 2013/14 work that are no longer active.

Table 5: Old streams

Funding stream	Source	Department	Funding 2013/14 £000s
Skills Infrastructure	SFA	BIS	55,161
Capital Grants ³⁸	SFA	BIS	449,871
Employer ownership ³⁹	UKCES - SFA	BIS	46,000
Employer Investment Fund	UKCES	BIS	28,500
Growth and Innovation fund ⁴⁰	UKCES	BIS	17,500
Bursary Fund for aerospace	Aerospace Growth Partnership	BIS	1,000
Independent living fund	DWP	DWP	300,000
Accelerated Innovation in Rail	DfT	DfT	2,500
Local pinch point fund	DfT	DfT	85,000
Linking places fund	Sustrans and Cycle Rail Working Group	DfT	15,000
Green Deal	DECC	DECC	60,848
Rural Community Broadband Fund	RDPE	DEFRA/BDUK	5,000
Broadband super connected cities	DCMS	DCMS	37,500
Broadband mobile infrastructure	DCMS	DCMS	37,500
Kickstart	HCA	DCLG	20,000
Decent Homes Housing Association	DCLG	DCLG	104,000
Decent Homes LA	HCA	DCLG	217,000
Empty Homes ⁴¹	HCA	DCLG	38,000
Community right to build	HCA	DCLG	8,000
National Empty Homes Loan Fund	DCLG	DCLG	3,000
Paths for Communities Fund	RDPE	DEFRA	1,000
Skills and Knowledge Transfer Programme	RDPE	DEFRA	6,667
Growth Accelerator ⁴²	BIS	BIS	50,000

³⁸ This has been devolved to LEPs as part of growth deals. This was £330m in 2015/16.

³⁹ This is ending as current projects come to an end.

⁴⁰ Being replaced by the Institute for Apprenticeships http://feweek.co.uk/2016/03/11/institute-gets-first-boss-as-ukces-reveals-closure-plans/

 $^{^{41}}$ Funding to bring empty properties back into use as affordable homes is now available through the 2015-18 Affordable Homes Programme.

⁴² Incorporated into the Business Growth Service. After the 2015 Spending Review it was announced that national delivery of the Business Growth Service would be wound down.

Manufacturing Advisory	MAS	BIS	197,667
Service ⁴³			
The Sector Mentoring Challenge	BIS	BIS	1,270
Fund			
Enterprise Capital Funds	BIS	BIS	50,000
Programme			
Health Innovation Challenge	DH	DH	5,000
Fund			

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 $^{^{}m 43}$ Manufacturing Advisory Service became part of the Business Growth Service. See footnote 36 above.

Appendix III: Innovation

In this section we include our non-exhaustive list of innovation funding streams. We took this approach because, although it was included in our previous report, we felt as a funding theme it was too removed from the others. There is also a question over whether it is desirable to have innovation funding fully devolved.

Funding Stream	Source	Department	Description	Type of funding	Funding 2016-17 £000s	Change (%) on 2013-14	RAG Rating	RAG Rating	
							Devolved deal areas by March 2016	England	
INNOVATIO	N								
UK Research Partnership Investment Fund	HEFCE	BIS	In the March 2015 Budget, the Government announced £400m out to 2021 for the Fund. The funding is dedicated to supporting large-scale capital projects from higher education institutions with significant track records of research excellence, provided that they secure co-investment from businesses, charities or endowments. This investment will be anchored in research	Grant	67,000	-4			
			activities, but could also have benefits for other						

	I	I		1	<u> </u>		
			areas of university				
			activity.				
<u>Technology</u>	TSB	BIS	Thematic programme	Grant			
Strategy Board			focuses on areas that				
thematic funding			address global				
(Innovate UK) ⁴⁴			challenges and the				
			resulting market				
			opportunities –				
			complemented and				
			supported by innovation				
			in competencies that				
			enable the translation of				
			technologies into				
			products and services,				
			and innovation in				
			enabling technologies				
			themselves.				
<u>Healthcare</u>			This facilitates		2,000	NEW	
Innovation Test			partnerships between				
Bed Programme			industry and the NHS to				
			make healthcare more				
			effective and efficient				
			by testing combinations				
			of new digital				
			technologies and				
			innovations in NHS				
			services. The Test Bed				
			programme will fund a				
			testing site in every				
			region.				
Innovation in			The government		10,000	NEW	
energy storage and			announced in the 2016				
smart technologies			Budget that it will				
			allocate at least £50m				

⁴⁴ See also: https://www.innovateuk.org/documents/1524978/2138994/Delivery+Plan+-+Financial+year+2013-14/c435471d-222c-4e63-8269-d0f4b2b61c2f

			for innovation in energy storage, demand-side response and other smart technologies over the next five years to help new technologies and business models access the market.		
i4i product development awards	DH	DH	The Invention for Innovation (i4i) Programme aims to support and advance the research and development of innovative healthcare technologies and their translation into the clinical environment for the benefit of patients.	NO INFORMATION	
i4i challenge awards	DH	DH	The i4i Challenge Awards is a new i4i funding stream that aims to bridge the gap between the innovation and development of new medical technology and its adoption into clinical pathways.	NO INFORMATION	
BSI Targeted Funding ⁴⁵	BIS	BIS	BSI works with many government departments, focusing on UK innovation and growth, and ways for standards to cut red	NO INFORMATION	

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 $^{^{45} \} See \ also: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/34764/12-p120c-guide-to-bis-2012-2013.pdf$

			tape or support co-			
			regulation initiatives.			
Synthetic biology	BBSRC	BIS	A new £10M investment	NO INFORMATION		
start-up fund			fund for entrepreneurial			
			scientists in the			
			synthetic biology space.			
			The new fund will help			
			companies in the early			
			stages of their journey			
			towards sustainability,			
			through investment,			
			strategic support and			
			leveraging private			
			capital.			
Growth voucher	BIS/HMT	BIS/HMT	The Growth Vouchers	NO INFORMATION		
			programme will fund	Looks like it's still alive		
			advice for small firms in	but can't get funding		
			a way, which will test	info		
			the impact of different	https://www.gov.uk/go		
			ways of providing	vernment/collections/g		
			advice, targeting advice	<u>rowth-vouchers-</u>		
			and types of advice.	programme		

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