Ministry of Housing,
Communities &
Local Government

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Neil Walker
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Dear Neil

Thank you for your interest in the Rogue Landlord Enforcement Grant Fund.

We are pleased to inform you that following a rigorous process of assessment against the criteria set out in the prospectus, we are able to fund your bid in part to the amount of £40,076.

You presented a strong bid and we are pleased to be able to support your proposal to improve data on PRS dwellings. The grant scheme was over-subscribed and despite allocating additional funds above the original budget, we could not fund all of the bids. As detailed in the prospectus, this funding is only available for the financial year 2018/19. We are therefore unable to meet your request to provide funding for the salaried positions of two officers and have excluded the VAT element of the bid.

MHCLG look forward to receiving an update on the progress of your projects after six weeks and a full impact report by the end of Q2. Our officials will be engaging directly with selected local authorities to arrange site visits and if you are selected you will hear from us in due course.

This funding is made available under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003. We expect the funds will be released by early February 2019, and colleagues will be in touch regarding the administration of payments. MHCLG strongly encourage you to proceed with the implementation of the project laid out in your bid immediately. We would like to reiterate that this funding is available in financial year 2018/19 thus spending should be complete by March 31st 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Mulley

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