BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LEP GETTING BUILDING FUND

The Government is making £900 million available through the new Getting Building Fund (GBF) for investment in local, shovel-ready infrastructure projects to stimulate jobs and support economic recovery across the country. The **Buckinghamshire LEP** has been allocated £7.7m from the GBF for a wide-ranging package of projects that will deliver a much-needed boost to the local economy.

In Buckinghamshire, the funded projects are expected to deliver high value growth, jobs, training and facilities through investment in Buckinghamshire's innovative creative and digital, film and television and space application sectors.

Indicative outputs¹

Direct Jobs Created	270
Construction Jobs Created	60
Jobs Safeguarded	10
New/improved Learning Space Unlocked	3,250
New Learners Assisted	2,430
Businesses Assisted	90
R&D Floorspace	1,980
New superfast broadband connections	270
CO2 emissions saved (kg)	60

Summary of projects

Project	Description
University of Buckingham Tessa Keswick Building, Centre of Artificial Intelligence and iHub and Incubation Space.	Accelerating the delivery of the University of Buckingham's Centre for Artificial Intelligence (AI), Innovation and Incubation Hub to address the gap in the academic application and ethical research into the use and application of AI.
National Film and Television School Site expansion	Delivering a major expansion of the National Film and Television School in Beaconsfield, as one of the world's leading film schools.
Westcott Disruptive Innovative Space Centre	Delivering phase 1 of Disruptive Innovative Space Centre at Westcott, a fundamental part of building the critical core of the future UK Space Industry.
Rural Broadband Programme	Delivering advanced fibre broadband to hard to reach communities in Buckinghamshire and supporting community collaboration in the development of rural fibre networks.

Buckinghamshire LEP will be expected to deliver the agreed projects but will have flexibility to deliver the greatest economic benefits to the area. Any significant changes to the projects should be discussed with the Government in advance, and all investment decisions must be undertaken in line with locally agreed audit and scrutiny arrangements.

¹ The outputs listed are locally reported and will undergo further quality assurance before being finalised and confirmed in grant offer letters