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Newsquest Media Group Limited (“Newsquest”) acquisition of Archant Community Media Limited (“Archant”) - Re: Notice of a potential Intervention Notice

I refer to the 29 April 2022 letter from DCMS concerning the recently completed acquisition by Newsquest Media Group Limited ("Newsquest"), whereby Newsquest acquired Archant Community Media Limited ("Archant") on 18th March 2022, and to your letter dated 29 April 2022.

Thank you for providing additional information in response to the DCMS letter setting out the Secretary of State's 'minded to' decision. The Secretary of State has considered the evidence provided in response to her minded decision to intervene in the transaction, and has decided not to issue a Public Interest Intervention Notice in this case.

This decision is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's ability to intervene if new or additional information comes to her attention.

Yours sincerely,



Deputy Director, Media & Creative Industries