



Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities

Jacob Young MP
Minister for Levelling Up
2 Marsham Street
London
SW1P 4DF

Warwickshire County Council

Cllr Isobel Seccombe OBE, Leader
Monica Fogarty, Chief Executive

Copied to:

Marcus Jones MP
Craig Tracey MP
Nadhim Zahawi MP
Mark Pawsey MP
Sir Jeremy Wright MP
Matt Western MP

5 March 24

Dear Councillor Isobel Seccombe OBE,

Warwickshire: Level 2 Devolution Framework Agreement

I'm writing to extend my thanks for your ongoing support and engagement over the past few months as we have looked to progress, at pace, conversations around a Level 2 Devolution Framework Agreement for Warwickshire.

As a result of this progress, I'm pleased to confirm that an agreement between Warwickshire County Council and the Government will be published as part of the Spring Budget tomorrow and will be available on GOV.UK shortly after the Chancellor has concluded his statement.

This agreement marks an important step for devolution in Warwickshire by giving local leaders like yourself more control and influence over the levers of local growth. This level of devolution provides additional powers to the council, with greater scope to set priorities across the county area.

Once implemented, Warwickshire's devolution framework agreement will see:

- the devolution of the Adult Education Budget and funding for Free Courses for Jobs;
- the integration of Local Enterprise Partnership functions;
- new land assembly and compulsory purchase power transferred to the Council; and
- the Council taking on strategic oversight for the delivery of future rounds of UKSPF.

I would also like to extend an invitation to you to attend a signing event in London for the agreement, so that I can offer my congratulations in person. My office will be in touch with yours to arrange this if you would like to take it up.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jacob Young', with a stylized, cursive script.

JACOB YOUNG MP
Minister for Levelling Up