

Appendix 1 – Proposed Revolving Infrastructure Fund (RIF) principles

The Revolving Infrastructure Fund was established in 2013 through funding awards through the Regional Growth Fund and Growing Places. The original grant funding has all been expended although we are still monitored by Government on the job outputs. There are no further constraints in terms of the original grant agreement on how the funding being revolved is used going forward. The total grant payments made to the schemes in the RIF programme and the repayments received and forecast are shown in Annex 1.

Principles for the operation of the RIF

- 1) The general presumption is that funding awarded through the RIF is:
 - a) For capital projects (including any repayable revenue associated with developing or promoting such projects)
 - b) Repayable in order to replenish the pot available to support future projects and retain this as a funding mechanism going forward.
- 2) Business Cases submitted seeking to access the RIF should clearly commit to repayment and set out the profile of this repayment which will be embodied in the grant offer letter. Such repayments should be made within 5 years of the completion of the project to maximise the opportunity for the fund to revolve, or exceptionally within 10 years. Such repayments will be underwritten by the relevant Council.
- 3) Funding for new projects will be:
 - a) Indicatively allocated to the programme at Outline Business Case stage as notional commitments, including expected payments and repayments. These will remain as commitments with funds held in abeyance unless the project is withdrawn, or the project does not progress to Full Business Case within a year of Outline Business Case approval.
 - b) Only be confirmed at Full Business Case where funds already held by WECA can accommodate this, without relying on future repayments, unless the risk is accepted by WECA and this is acknowledged as part of the decision at the Joint Committee.
- 4) All RIF applications need to be made by one of the constituent Councils or WECA, aside from where an application by another party is underwritten by one of the authorities.
- 5) Projects may exceptionally be considered for funding which is not repayable where there is West of England scale impact. These exceptional projects will be limited to £1m in any financial year. Such proposals will first be considered and agreed by the authority S151 group prior to any Committee decision.

- 6) Any wholly revenue proposals exceptionally submitted will have regard to the amount of RIF funding held which can be considered as revenue within the overall RIF balance. To date this has been considered that part of the RIF which is repaid from the EDF (total £20.9m, to date £2m)
- 7) Aside from the circumstances in 8) below, all RIF repayments will be made in line with the profile agreed as part of the business case, and included in the offer letter, and these need to be underwritten by the Councils. Any exceptional request for reprofiling will need to be agreed by the Joint Committee in line with the terms of the grant offer letter.
- 8) Should the balance of EDF funding and commitments impact on the ability of the EDF to repay the RIF as profiled, the Business Rates Pooling Board may exceptionally request deferral of these repayments. The impact on the RIF and a refreshed summary table will be reported to the next s151 meeting to provide transparency on the impact of the decision.
- 9) WECA will submit a request for the repayment for the given financial year in April, unless a request has been received to delay this to later in the year.
- 10) A six monthly update on the RIF summary table including recent payments, repayments and balances, progress against milestones and outputs, and any issues or risks will be presented to the S151 group. This will provide a regular forum to discuss headroom, emerging Business Cases and the opportunity for new propositions to be brought forward.

Annex 1– RIF Repayments Made and Forecast

Revolved Funds By Scheme	Authority	Claimed	Revolved to Date	Repaid								
				2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Dolphin Square	NSC	295,000	(295,000)	(25,000)	-	-	-	(137,948)	-	-	-	(132,052)
J21 Outbound Capacity	NSC	372,626	(372,626)	(372,626)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Weston Village Flood	NSC	7,735,602	(765,471)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(720,361)	(45,110)
Weston Creative Hub	NSC	278,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BWR Destructor Bridge	B&NES	1,800,000	(1,800,000)	-	-	-	(1,800,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Bath Flood (Phase 1)	B&NES	6,100,001	(2,100,000)	-	-	-	-	(360,000)	-	-	(1,740,000)	-
Saw Close	B&NES	769,258	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BWR - Gas Towers	B&NES	2,051,708	(2,051,708)	-	-	-	-	(2,051,708)	-	-	-	-
TQEZ Temple Circus & IP	BCC	20,849,996	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gainsborough Square	BCC	749,550	(749,550)	-	(250,000)	(250,000)	-	(249,550)	-	-	-	-
Filwood Green	BCC	6,236,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aztec West Roundabout	SGC	1,883,658	(965,000)	-	-	-	-	-	(193,750)	(193,750)	(193,750)	(383,750)
LSTP SGC *	SGC	134,776	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A38 Junctions	SGC	1,970,785	(1,432,500)	-	-	-	(100,000)	(287,500)	(193,750)	(283,750)	(283,750)	(283,750)
Total Revolved Funds All Schemes		51,227,460	(10,531,855)	(397,626)	(250,000)	(250,000)	(1,900,000)	(3,086,706)	(387,500)	(477,500)	(2,937,861)	(844,662)

* Repayment included with Aztec West Roundabout

Revolved Funds By Scheme	Authority	Forecast										Total Repayment	
		2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31		
Dolphin Square	NSC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(295,000)
J21 Outbound Capacity	NSC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(372,626)
Weston Village Flood	NSC	(847,679)	(1,151,272)	(66,197)	(912,355)	(1,164,569)	(2,828,059)	-	-	-	-	-	(7,735,602)
Weston Creative Hub	NSC	(37,134)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(18,567)	(92,833)	-	(278,500)
BWR Destructor Bridge	B&NES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,800,000)
Bath Flood (Phase 1)	B&NES	(1,000,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	-	-	-	-	(6,100,000)
Saw Close	B&NES	(769,258)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(769,258)
BWR - Gas Towers	B&NES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,051,708)
TQEZ Temple Circus & IP	BCC	(2,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(10,850,000)	-	(20,850,000)
Gainsborough Square	BCC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(749,550)
Filwood Green	BCC	(4,669,000)	(669,000)	(898,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6,236,000)
Aztec West Roundabout	SGC	-	(283,750)	(283,750)	(283,750)	(202,184)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,018,434)
LSTP SGC	SGC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A38 Junctions	SGC	-	(283,750)	(254,535)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,970,785)
Total Revolved Funds Forecast		(9,323,071)	(3,906,339)	(3,021,049)	(2,714,672)	(2,885,320)	(4,346,626)	(1,518,567)	(1,018,567)	(1,018,567)	(10,942,833)	(51,227,464)	

Note: TQEZ Temple Circus repayment profile to be confirmed. £1m per year repayment agreed for period 20/21-24/25, but to be confirmed from 25/26.