Annex A. Joint Working Fund (Expression of Interest Template)

Lead authority	Derby City Council					
Partners involved	South Derbyshire District Council Derbyshire County Council Infinity Park Derby :Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) Hallam Land Management Rolls-Royce					
	Other landowners within the Infinity Garden Village area – Christ					
	Church College Oxford, the Atkins family, the Atwal family.					
Senior sign-off	-	•				
Funding being applied for	2017-18	2018-19				
	£17,000	£148,000				

Summary of proposal (please describe the relevant geographical area, nature of joint working proposed, the strategic planning issues to be addressed, scale of ambition and how this award will help you to achieve it.)

This proposal relates to Infinity Garden Village, one of the 14 new Garden Villages announced by the Government on 2 January 2017, which incorporates housing developments in Derby City and South Derbyshire.

South Derbyshire is forecast to achieve the most population growth in Derbyshire (21.7%) between 2010-2030 (Office of National Statistics), within in the top 11% of all English Local Authority areas (32nd out of 282). This requires an additional 12,618 dwellings between 2011-28, 3,013 of which are to meet Derby City needs.

This housing growth is due, in no small part, to the continued economic growth of Derby's manufacturing sector - Rolls-Royce (a partner in this project) is investing £150m, including a new engine test bed at Derby, Toyota is investing £240m at Burnaston, Derby. Bombardier has also won two major contracts, £105m to supply trains to C2C and £900m to supply to the South-Western franchise. Derby has the highest average wage levels and GVA outside the South-East.

This is the USP of Infinity Garden Village – housing growth connected to employment growth and it is imperative that we continue to support this, to ensure that Garden Village residents benefit from those employment opportunities.

This contributes to the prioritisation criteria as follows:

- 1. Priority will be given to those groups of authorities with the highest housing need.
- 2. Where funding is necessary to... plan for infrastructure across a wider geography in this case, South Derbyshire and Derby City.

Joint working:

- 1. Creation of a Development Framework Document for Infinity Garden Village.
- Streamlining of the Planning process across all 3 Local Authorities Derby City Council, South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council.
- 3. Contribution to dedicated Planning Department resources for IGV.
- 4. Contribution to consultancy support for the Infinity Garden Village planning application.
- 5. Council Officer time departments other than planning.
- 6. Consultancy support for the design of Infinity Garden Village.
- 7. Legal fees in reaching cross-boundary and cross Local Authority agreements.

Strategic Planning matters to address:

- 1. Development Framework Document.
- 2. Joint working across 3 Local Authorities.
- 3. Design of Infinity Garden Village.
- 4. Support towards the IGV planning application.

Housing numbers – a minimum 2,000 new homes at Wragley Way are dependent on this development.

The scale of our ambition is well-documented – the USP of Infinity Garden Village is not only the housing unlocked but the economic benefit, as a result of its connection with Infinity Park Derby. In order to maximise the economic impact of this development, more joined-up working is needed across the 3 Local Authorities.

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<u>Specific activities and timetables</u> (including a breakdown of activities, milestones and profile of expenditure)

March 2018

Announcement of successful Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) EOIs – infinity Garden Village (IGV) is included within the Nottinghamshire County Council consortium bid 'HS2 East Midlands: Toton Innovation Campus and a network of Garden Villages'.

September 2018

IGV Development Framework Document completed.

IGV Planning application submission.

September 2018 (continued)

Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) Stage 2 Business Case Submission (subject to the success of the EOI).

March 2019

Start on site.

Expenditure Profile

Expenditure Heading	Q4 17/18	Q1 2018/9	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Consultancy	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	£40,000
Services -						
planning						
application						
Consultancy		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£40,000
Services -						
Garden Village						
Design						
Council Officer	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	£40,000
time –						
departments						
other than						
planning						
Dedicated		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£40,000
Planning						
Department						
resources						
Legal Fees	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£5,000
Totals	£17,000	£37,000	£37,000	£37,000	£37,000	£165,000

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<u>Impacts expected from funding (including description of outputs and outcomes you expect to achieve, and how they will be measured)</u>

Specific to this EOI:

- IGV Development Framework Document.
- IGV Planning Application.

East Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy

Infinity Garden Village, is one of the key housing growth sites of the East Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy; therefore, this EOI also contributes to the following outputs from the East Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy, by 2043:

- Up to 16,500 new homes.
- Over 800ha brownfield land regenerated.
- £4bn Gross Value Added (GVA).
- 74,000 new jobs created.

As per the section 'Summary of Proposal' above, the USP of Infinity Garden Village is its connectivity with employment growth. The significance of all of those investments cannot be stressed enough.

With this growth comes additional housing need and Derby has been working with its Housing Market Area (HMA) partners – South Derbyshire District Council and Amber Valley Borough Council for a number of years to ensure that housing needs can be met across the wider Derby Housing Market Area.

This impact will be measured by Derby City Council's Strategic Housing and Regeneration Projects teams, through the governance arrangements outlined in the following section.

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Assurance that there is strong commitment to joint working, and that any award will be spend in accordance with the award profile (please outline joint working arrangements in place, or envisaged, and confirm how you will ensure the money is spend as outlined).

The IGV Steering Group met for the first time on 7 December and will meet bi-monthly. Working groups meet every 4-6 weeks and the Infinity Garden Village liaison group meets every 2-3 months.

The Local Authority partners – Derby City Council, South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council – have committed to a Memorandum of Understanding, which SDDC and the County took to their Cabinets on 16 November 2017. All 3 Local Authorities will formally sign the MOU in early 2018.

The MOU is a precursor to more formal agreements.

It has taken 2 years for the project to reach this stage; the partners began to meet formally in December 2015. Securing Garden Village status in January 2017 gave the project added impetus and momentum and we now have an agreed Governance structure in place, with Derbyshire County Council as lead.

Derby City Council will be the Accountable Body. We would add the funding to our Revenue Programme and report on monthly spend, according to our agreed Governance procedures. The project spend profile would be agreed with our Principal Accountant and much of the spend figures have been identified already (see Cost Plan appended, plus expenditure profile above).

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Assessment of risks to achieving the objectives of the proposal (please list your top three risks and mitigating actions)

- 1. Not securing funding for capital works the partners have applied to the Housing Infrastructure Fund for £20m to fund the infrastructure works required.
- 2. Lack of Local Authority resources to deliver the project the 3 respective Local Authorities have already committed to creating 2 new posts as a result of this project a Partnership/Project Manager and a Project Support Officer. This is still not enough for a project of this scale and significance hence the request for contributions to further dedicated IGV resources.

3. Inability to reach agreement with landowners in the IGV area – developer partners are leading on this and all of the landowners have indicated their support for the project

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<u>Does your bid rely on, or align with, other funding or initiatives from Government?</u>
For example, are you part of housing deal negotiations, or have bid for Housing Infrastructure Fund money?

- Housing Infrastructure Fund Infinity Garden Village is one of six sites that forms part of the HIF Forward Funding bid 'HS2 East Midlands: Toton Innovation Campus and a network of garden villages', led by Nottinghamshire County Council. The total bid for all six sites is £99.5m, of which the request for IGV is £20m.
- Garden Villages Programme South Derbyshire District Council successfully applied for secured £214k from the first tranche of Garden Villages money.
- **Garden Villages Capacity Fund** Derby City Council has provisionally secured £101k, to be agreed with the HCA and DCLG.

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