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### **PAC Recommendations for the IPA's Annual Report for Major Projects**

Dear Meg,

I would like to thank you and the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) for your engagement with the Infrastructure and Projects Authority (IPA) to date. The government welcomes constructive oversight and scrutiny and I would like to set out progress they have made in realising the recommendations of PAC, which further our shared ambition of nothing less than world class delivery for major government projects.

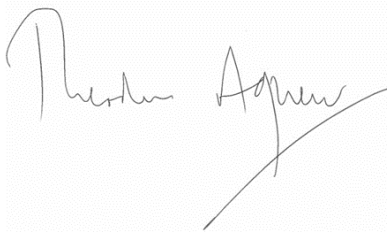
We will only meet this ambition if the standards we set for project delivery reflect the best practices from across the world. That is why I am delighted to inform you that the IPA will be publishing their Annual Report for Major Projects and Government Major Project Portfolio (GMPP) data on 15th July. Please find the report and data enclosed.

As you are aware, the IPA's Annual Report provides an overview of the delivery of all major projects on the GMPP, with data presented and analysed from a snapshot in time. This year - in line with recommendations by PAC in the report, [Lessons from major projects and programmes](#) - the IPA has gone ahead with two important changes in order to publish more timely data and to ensure a greater level of transparency.

1. For the first time data will reflect the GMPP projects' position as of 2020 Q4 - 31 March 2021. This will reduce the lag between the data snapshot and publication from 9 to 3 months.
2. This year's report will also release benefit data aggregated by the annual report project category. This breakdown includes Infrastructure and Construction projects, Government Transformation and Service Delivery projects, Military Capability, and Information and Communications Technology projects.

I trust that these changes reaffirm the IPA's commitment to data transparency. Going forward, they remain committed to working with PAC and others to further this aim, as part of its ambitious agenda for the delivery of major government projects.

**Yours sincerely,**

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**Lord Agnew**