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*Dear Iain,*

**Digital Britain White Paper: Digital Test Beds and the  
DBR Innovation Fund**

It was good to see you last week at the Digital Birmingham event. I very much enjoyed your presentation which set out the alignment between the Digital Britain Report and the TSB's work very effectively.

I wanted to thank you and the Technology Strategy Board for the collaborative and constructive nature of our discussions running up to the Final Digital Britain Report. I hope that we can now capitalise on the momentum of the last few weeks and move quickly with implementation arrangements, including the projects which the TSB are leading - taking forward the co-ordination of Digital Test Beds investment and the DBR innovation fund.

I am therefore writing to formally hand over the implementation process of these two projects to you and the TSB. I hope that, as soon as feasible, you will make public the plans for getting these initiatives up and running and set out the process for accessing the funds.

I am copying this letter to Lord Drayson.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SAC', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

**Stephen A. Carter**