

## Rural Services Network Transformation Challenge Briefing Note

What is the Transformation Challenge?

The Transformation Challenge Award is a Government Scheme managed by DCLG which makes £120 million revenue grant (£15 million in 2014 to 2015 and £105 million in 2015 to 2016) and a £200 million facility to use the capital receipts from asset sales flexibly to support transformation, available to support local authorities re-engineer their business practices and redesign service delivery over the next year.

The latest winners have recently been announced in September 2014.

33 bids brought together 77 local authorities in joint collaborative projects.

These 33 bids were awarded to the following breakdown:

Type of Authority	Amount awarded	% of total awarded
R80	£2,016,746	24%
R50	£2,656,277	31%
Significant Rural	£585,000	7%
Urban	£3,316,696	39%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£8,574,719</b>	

Next stages:

The 2015-2016 Transformation Award will provide £105 Million in revenue grant and will be available in two elements:

A. Encouraging authorities which already share a senior management team and any chief executive to go further with their plans to re-design their services; and

B. Encouraging places that have ambitious plans to work in partnership across the public sector and with the voluntary and community sector or the private sector to re-design services.

Expressions of Interest for these were due in July and full Bids are due in October. Successful authorities should be announced in November.