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NEW PAPER: Debt-Free Public Infrastructure is Available Now

An important new paper addressing UK infrastructure investment has been released by Roli Martin, Managing Director of award-winning financial consultancy Global City Futures.

The paper outlines a solution for 'UK debt-free' investments by the private sector in public infrastructure, addressing common misconceptions about the public sector budgeting regulations and approvals process.

The consultancy is asking for a government response to the paper which is being sent to key offices and roles in Treasury, Housing and Health.

Roli said:

"Global City Futures are seeking to bust the myth for a fuller understanding of raising private capital for UK infrastructure, from investors to the top of government. We aim to aid authorities and public bodies in a more comprehensive understanding of how UK budgeting rules apply. This could allow some fantastic projects - that have been developed with social and environmental benefits - to finally go ahead."

The paper, UK Debt-Free Public Infrastructure is Available Now: Busting the Myth leads with:

"Post-budget, the HM Treasury's own Accounting, Budgeting and Fiscal regulations still permit 'UK debt-free' investments by the private sector for public infrastructure. It is the approvals process that does not."

The paper was developed in response to Rachel Reeves' autumn budget, where the economic and social value embedded in delivering infrastructure was recognised but Roli, in his extensive work with public bodies has found the concept to be misunderstood.

Rt Hon Rachel Reeves Budget speech Oct 24:

"Net financial debt recognises that government investment delivers returns for taxpayers by counting not just the liabilities on a government's balance sheet, but the financial assets too".

Roli leads on Finance and Professional Services for Global City Futures. The B Corp consultancy focuses on building investable business models that deliver on sustainable housing, decarbonised energy independence, NHS infrastructure and community. Roli, with

more than 20 years' experience in professional practice, has led a corporate finance infrastructure advisory practice and high-profile government infrastructure partnerships with the private sector.

Find the paper in full here:

https://www.globalcityfutures.com/debt-free-public-infrastructure-available/

The consultancy are planning a presentation and discussion of the paper, UK Debt-Free Public Infrastructure is Available Now: Busting the Myth at an event in the new year.

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Images of the Paper and Roli Martin headshot available