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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS MADE BY CABINET MEMBER FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY & SKILLS ON 04 DECEMBER 2020

The Cabinet Member for Economic Recovery & Skills has taken the decision below under Special Urgency, following the notice published on 3 December 2020.

The making of this decision is urgent as the new business grant schemes were announced on the 31st October 2020. With the expectation from Government that the schemes were to be designed, implemented, and funding to be distributed to eligible businesses as soon as possible. Unfortunately, the relevant guidance was issued on 3rd November with additional guidance being added on 10th and 30th November with final FAQ's being issued 23rd December 2020. As such, there has not been time to this in line with the ordinary notice procedures. It is now impracticable to comply with Rule 31 (General Exception).

The following apply to the decision below:

Reasons for these decisions: Contained within the Part A report.

Other options considered and rejected: Contained within the Part A report.

Details of conflicts of interest declared by any Cabinet Member: None

Note of dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in relation to a declared conflict of interest by that decision maker: None

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet Member for Economic Recovery & Skills the power to make the executive decisions noted out below:

Key Decision No.: 6220ERS

Details of Decision: COVID 19 - 2ND LOCKDOWN AND LOCAL RESTRICTIONS - BUSINESS GRANTS

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector equality duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Cabinet Member for Economic Recovery & Skills in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources & Financial Governance

RESOLVED:

1 To approve the proposed criteria and implementation plan for phase one of the discretionary funding distribution for the following schemes:

- Local Restrictions Support Grant (Open) - £480,567
- The Additional Restrictions Grant – £3,000,000

2 To note:

- Phase two will be the subject of a report to Cabinet; and
- The mandatory grant schemes (Local Restrictions Support Grant (Sector), Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) and Local Restrictions Support Grants (Closed) Addendum), as further detailed in this report.

Signed: Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer

Notice date: 04 December 2020

Reason for urgency.