

COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Explanatory Note

The Leader of the Council has established Delegation Schemes by which certain decisions may be made by the relevant cabinet member or specific officers.

Cabinet member decisions are subject to review under the Call-in Procedure.

From the date the notice of the decision made is published there are five working days during which any five Councillors may sign a request for the decision to be reviewed (called in) and deliver it to the Proper Officer.

If, at the end of the period, no request has been made, the decision may be implemented. If a valid call- in request has been made, the matter will be referred to the Scrutiny Panel

Part A – To be completed by the appropriate Cabinet Member/Officer

Title of Report

COVID19 – Business Grants

Delegated Power

To procure and or encourage the procurement of the specified service in the provision, implementation, maintenance and management of the economic development issues affecting the Borough of Colchester.

Decision Taken

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| <div>2.1 To agree to the approach for distributing the mandatory government grant schemes.</div> <div>2.2 To approve the local discretionary scheme for the Additional Restrictions Grant and Local Restrictions Support Grant (open).</div> <div>2.3 To approve the release of payment of the business grants to those businesses within the Borough which meet the criteria as detailed in this report.</div> <div>2.4 To delegate decisions on any minor technical changes to the Assistant Director for Customer, in consultation, where needed, with the Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources.</div> |
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Key Decision

Yes

Forward Plan

The Chair of the Scrutiny has confirmed that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred and therefore can proceed without publication on the Forward Plan, in accordance with Rule 21 of the Access to Information Rules.

Reasons for the Decision

To implement the schemes as quickly as possible whilst ensuring that discretionary schemes meet the needs of the local economy in line with government guidance.

Alternative Options

To consider alternative options around process and eligibility for the business grants.

Conflict of Interest

None

Dispensation by Head of Paid Service

None

Dispensation by Monitoring Officer

None.

Approved by the Leader of the Council

Councillor Mark Cory

18 November 2020

(**NB** For Key Decisions the report must be made available to the public for five clear days prior to the period for call-in commencing)

Part B – To be completed by the Proper Officer (Democratic Services)

Portfolio Holder Decision Reference Number

STR-002-20

Implementation Date

Decision can be implemented immediately. The decision has been certified as urgent pursuant to the provisions of Rule 14 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules by the Chair of the Scrutiny Panel and the Monitoring Officer and therefore there is no call in period.

Call-in Procedure

The decision has been certified as urgent pursuant to the provisions of Rule 14 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules by the Chair of the Scrutiny Panel and the Monitoring Officer and therefore there is no call in period.

Signature of Proper Officer

Richard Clifford