

## Individual Member Decision Record



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<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Councillor Mark Crane, Leader of the Council
<b>Lead Officer:</b>	Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer, (SDC) / June Rothwell, Head of Operational Services
<b>Title of Decision:</b>	Local Restrictions Support Grant Scheme for Businesses affected by Local and National Lockdowns
<b>Ward(s) Affected:</b>	All
<b>Type of Decision:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Key decision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non key decision discharging (or connected to the discharge of) an Executive function <input type="checkbox"/> Specific delegation from Council or Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Grant of permission / licence <input type="checkbox"/> Affecting the rights of an individual <input type="checkbox"/> Awarding a contract or incurring expenditure which materially affects the financial position of the Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decision under urgency
<b>Details of decision:</b>	<p>The government has recently announced Covid-19 grant support for businesses in further local and national lockdowns. Local Restrictions Support Grants (LRSB) will be provided support for businesses who are required to close due to the lockdown.</p> <p>On 31 October 2020, the government announced that England will be entering a national lockdown on 5 November to 2 December 2020.</p> <p>The Council is expected to implement these measures as quickly as possible to provide immediate help to businesses.</p>

	<p>The scheme is being fully funded by the Government and Section 31 grant payments will be made to local authorities. The letter also advised Government would meet the associated new burdens funding to cover the administrative costs of implementation. Selby District Council will receive the grant payment of £1,071,378.00.</p> <p>The Grant Scheme will provide support to businesses affected by local and national lockdowns.</p> <p>That as the matter is urgent, and the decision cannot await a full meeting of the Executive due to the need to put in place arrangements as part of the Covid-19 response, the Leader agrees that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Local Restrictions Support Grants (Closed) scheme (LCAL3 &amp; National Lockdown addendum), attached at Appendix A to the Report is approved; and</li> <li>(ii) That delegated authority is given to the Head of Operational Services to administer the scheme (commencing 16 November 2020) and the Chief Finance Officer is authorised to make technical scheme amendments; and</li> <li>(iii) That a further Report be brought to the Executive (or Leader if urgency requires) regarding the additional government funding schemes outlined in the Report, once further implementation guidance has been received from central government.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Reason for decision:</b></p>	<p>To administer the Government's Local Restrictions Support Grant Fund Scheme to assist businesses affected by Covid-19 local and national lockdowns.</p>
<p><b>Alternative options considered and rejected:</b></p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>
<p><b>Member Interests:</b> <i>(Name of any Member who has declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision and details of any</i></p>	<p>None declared.</p>

<b>dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service if appropriate)</b>	
<b>Legal, Financial or other implications:</b>	<p>The LRSG scheme is being fully funded by the Government through Section 31 grant payments and will be administered by local authorities.</p> <p>We will receive £1,071,378.00 in funding from this scheme and as a mandatory scheme this can be topped up if required.</p> <p>Fully documented decisions by officers of the grants applied to accounts will be made to ensure all requirements are fulfilled. Local authorities are required to report weekly to central government the numbers and value of grants that have been issued. This report will be submitted using the DELTA system.</p> <p>The decision is within the Budget and Policy Framework and is not a Key Decision, therefore there is no requirement to consult the Chairs of Policy and Scrutiny on this occasion.</p> <p>As the decision is made under urgency powers it is not subject to call-in. The Chief Executive confirms that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and is to be treated as urgent.</p>
<b>Background papers:</b>	None.
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<b>Signed:</b>	<p><b><i>Signature redacted</i></b></p> <p>Leader of the Council, Councillor Mark Crane</p>
<b>Date of Decision:</b>	12 November 2020