

Individual Member Decision Record



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Decision Maker:	Councillor Mark Crane, Leader of the Council
Lead Officers:	Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer, (SDC) / June Rothwell, Head of Operational Services
Title of Decision:	Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) Addendum 5 Jan 2021 onwards Scheme and Closed Businesses Lockdown Payment Scheme
Ward(s) Affected:	All
Type of Decision:	<input type="checkbox"/> Key decision <input 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
Details of decision:	<p>The government has recently announced further Covid-19 grant support for businesses in the national lockdown beginning 5 January 2021. These grants are called the Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) Addendum 5 January onwards and the Closed Business Lockdown Payment (CBLP). The closed scheme provides support from 5 January onwards to those businesses required to close under the national lockdown restrictions.</p> <p>The scheme is an extension of the LRSG Closed scheme but has been adapted for the period of national restrictions, the</p>

	<p>principal feature of the scheme is payment for a 42-day period from the 5 January rather than the 14-day payment period in Tiers. The CBLP scheme provides an additional one-off payment to these businesses. The eligibility criteria for both schemes are the same.</p> <p>The Council is expected to implement these measures as quickly as possible to provide immediate help to businesses. The scheme is being fully funded by the Government and Section 31 grant payments will be made to local authorities.</p> <p>The Councils schemes are set out in the attached report, including Appendix A the Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) Addendum 5 January onwards Scheme and Appendix B the Closed Businesses Lockdown Payment Scheme</p> <p>RESOLVED:</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"> (i) the Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) Addendum 5 January onwards Scheme, attached at Appendix A to the Report be approved; (ii) the Closed Businesses Lockdown Payment Scheme, attached at Appendix B to the report be approved; and (iii) that delegated authority be given to the Head of Operational Services to administer the schemes and the Chief Finance Officer be authorised to make technical scheme amendments.
Reason for decision:	To administer the governments Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) Addendum 5 January onwards Scheme and Closed Businesses Lockdown Payment Scheme to assist businesses affected by Covid-19 in the third national lockdowns.
Alternative options considered and rejected:	Not applicable.
Member Interests: (Name of any Member)	None declared.

<p>who has declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision and details of any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service if appropriate)</p>	
<p>Legal, Financial or other implications:</p>	<p>The schemes are being funded by the Government. The allocations have been calculated using the Valuation Office Agency (VOA) property codes on the number of these type of businesses in the Local Authority area that have been required to close. Selby District Council has been allocated £1,607,067.00 for the Closed Addendum Scheme and £3,213,000.00 for the Closed Lockdown Payment Scheme.</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 therefore there is no requirement to consult the Chair of Policy 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>
<p>Background papers:</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Contact details for further information:</p>	<p>Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer (SDC) kiveson@selby.gov.uk</p> <p>June Rothwell, Head of Operational Services jrothwell@selby.gov.uk</p>
<p>Signed:</p>	<p><i>Signature redacted</i></p> <p>Leader of the Council, Councillor Mark Crane</p>
<p>Date of Decision:</p>	<p>20 January 2021</p>