

## Individual Member Decision Record



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<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Councillor Mark Crane, Leader of the Council
<b>Lead Officers:</b>	Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer, (SDC) / June Rothwell, Head of Operational Services
<b>Title of Decision:</b>	Restart Grants April 2021
<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 announced in the March 2021 Budget further support for businesses as the coronavirus restrictions are eased. These Restart Grants are one-off grants to help businesses to reopen safely.</p> <p>Grants of up to £6,000 will be paid to non-essential business premises and grants of up to £18,000 will be allocated to hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym businesses. This scheme support businesses that are predominantly reliant on delivering in-person services for the general public in these premises.</p> <p>The Council is expected to implement these measures as</p>

	<p>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.</p> <p>The Council's scheme is set out in the attached report, including Appendix A the Restart Grant Scheme April 2021.</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.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED: The Leader agrees that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>(i) the Restart Grant Scheme April 2021, attached at Appendix A to the Report be approved; and</b></li> <li><b>(ii) delegated authority be given to the Head of Operational Services to administer the schemes and the Chief Finance Officer is authorised to make technical scheme amendments.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Reason for decision:</b></p>	<p>To administer the governments Restart Grant Scheme April 2021 to assist businesses in reopening safely as the restrictions are eased.</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 dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service if appropriate)</i></p>	<p>None declared.</p>
<p><b>Legal, Financial or other implications:</b></p>	<p>The schemes are being funded by the Government. The allocations have been calculated based on the costs of payment to businesses within the business rates system based on the number of eligible hereditaments.</p> <p>Fully documented decisions by officers of the grants applied to accounts will be made to ensure all requirements are fulfilled.</p>

	<p>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>
<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, Cllr Mark Crane</p>
<b>Date of Decision:</b>	6 April 2021