



## Officer Decision Record

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<b>Decision Maker</b>	Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer
<b>Signature</b>	<i>Signature redacted</i>
<b>Date</b>	30 June 2021
<b>Title of Decision</b>	Test and Trace Support Payment Discretionary Scheme
<b>Ward(s) Affected</b>	All
<b>Type of Decision</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical scheme amendment
<b>Details of decision</b>	<p>Councils are being asked to ensure the funding is reaching those in need and make amendments to their discretionary schemes to ensure available funding is distributed. If spend on the scheme is less than 60% then Councils are expected to amend the eligibility criteria and currently the Councils spend is 39%.</p> <p>A change to the earnings threshold from £280.00 a week normal gross earnings to £400.00 a week has therefore been proposed and agreed by the Chief Finance Officer.</p>
<b>Reason for decision</b>	To administer the Test and Trace Support Payment Discretionary Scheme on behalf of the Department for Health and Social Care and maximise funding distribution to those in financial need and encourage self-isolation to drive down COVID-19 levels within the district.
<b>Alternative options considered and rejected</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Legal, Financial or other implications</b>	The scheme is funded by Department for Health and Social Care and further funding is available if spend increases. If the funding runs out the Council reserve the right to end the scheme for new applications.
<b>Background papers</b>	Briefing note
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