

## 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) / Stuart Robinson, Head of Business Development & Improvement
<b>Title of Decision:</b>	Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant
<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 on the 21 December further grant support for hospitality, leisure and accommodation businesses in recognition that the rise of the Omicron variant means some businesses will struggle due to reduced trade.</p> <p>Grants of up to £6,000 will be paid to hospitality, leisure and accommodation businesses, who have premises in the rating list. The grants will vary in amount based on rateable values.</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</p>

	<p>Section 31 grant payments will be made to local authorities.</p> <p>The Councils scheme is set out in the attached report, including Appendix A the Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant Scheme.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>(i) the Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant Scheme, attached at Appendix A to the Report be approved; and</b></li> <li><b>(ii) that delegated authority be given to the Head of Business Development and Improvement to administer the schemes, and that the Chief Finance Officer be authorised to make technical scheme amendments.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Reason for decision:</b></p>	<p>To administer the governments Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant Scheme 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</p>

	<p>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>
<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>	6 January 2022