

## Officer Decision Record



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<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer
<b>Lead Officer:</b>	June Rothwell, Head of Operational Services
<b>Title of Decision:</b>	Changes to the Discretionary Business Grants Policy, Phase 2 – 2020-21
<b>Ward(s) Affected:</b>	All
<b>Type of Decision:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Key decision <input type="checkbox"/> Non-key decision discharging (or connected to the discharge of) an Executive function <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Decision under urgency
<b>Details of decision:</b>	<p>Following Phase 1 of the awards of the grants scheme, changes to the scheme have been necessary to increase the number of eligible businesses.</p> <p>The changes extend the scheme to all businesses with an RV up to £51k, rather than the 4 national priorities supported in Phase 1. The changes also allow Officers to consider businesses with RVs of more than £51k in exceptional circumstances.</p> <p>There have also been some minor changes to eligibility criteria to clarify the policy.</p>
<b>Reason for</b>	To enable the remaining funding to be awarded to more

<b>decision:</b>	businesses in need.
<b>Alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	We did consider widening the definition of fixed property related costs to include other fixed costs but the Government criteria was clear that the intention is to support businesses with on-going premises costs.
<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>	None.
<b>Legal, Financial or other implications:</b>	The scheme will allocate grant within the funding provided by Central Government.
<b>Background papers:</b>	Selby District Council Discretionary Business Grants Policy Phase 2 – 2020/21 (Attached)
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<b>Date of Decision:</b>	26 June 2020