

Notice relating to an urgent forthcoming Cabinet decision

Administration of the Local Authority Discretionary Grants Fund

This is a key decision required to be taken urgently by the Cabinet member responsible for Finance. The decision has not previously been included in the Cabinet work programme and advertised 28 clear days in advance.

The decision, if confirmed, would allow the council to administer the Local Authority Discretionary Grants Fund per the Guidance for Local Authorities (13 May 2020). It was not placed on the Cabinet work programme as the Government announced that Local Authorities will administer the Fund on 1 May 2020 but did not provide the detailed guidance on the grant timing, process and criteria until 13 May 2020. The funding was not confirmed until 20 May 2020. Also, this decision is urgent and cannot be deferred because the Government requires the Discretionary Grant Fund to open and weekly update reports to be provided from 1 June 2020.

The council is required to seek the agreement of its Scrutiny Committee chairman before the relevant Cabinet member can make this decision.

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