

Report to: Cabinet

30 July 2021

Lead Officer: Liz Watts, Chief Executive

Actions taken under Chief Executive's delegated powers

Executive Summary

1. As required by the Council's Constitution, this report informs Cabinet of actions taken under the Chief Executive's delegated powers.

Key Decision

2. No

Recommendations

3. To note the actions taken under the Chief Executive's delegation (delegation 4.4, Table 7, Part 3 of the Constitution). Details of these actions are set out in appendix A.

Reasons for Recommendations

4. To advise the Cabinet of the decisions taken under the Chief Executive's emergency delegated powers as required by Delegation No 4.4, Table 7, Part 3 of the Constitution.

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Date of Decision	Subject	Background
Monday, 14 July 2021	National Lockdown Business Support Policy – Growth Fund Policy (Additional Restrictions Support Grant Tranche 2)	<p>Local authorities are responsible for delivering funding support to eligible businesses in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.</p> <p>A second tranche of Additional Restrictions Grant funding has been announced by government, to be spent from 1st July 2021. In order to formalise arrangements for carrying out this function in line with government guidance, the Chief Executive, in exercise of the emergency delegation in paragraph 4.4 of the Scheme of Delegation in Part 3 of the Constitution, and the emergency delegation approved by the Leader of the Council on 30 March 2020, authorising the Chief Executive to exercise all executive functions, or to authorise specified officers to exercise any such functions, and after consultation with the Leader of the Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approves the Growth Fund Policy (Additional Restrictions Support Grant Tranche 2), including details of how grant schemes will be administered to support local businesses who are looking to scale and grow within the region post-pandemic. 2. Authorises the Chief Finance Office to approve future individual discretionary grants for small businesses, as set out within the policy. <p>Due to the Covid 19 emergency and the need for the Council to administer these grants in line with Government guidance and to support local businesses impacted by the pandemic and subsequent restrictions.</p>