

Gloucester City Council

INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION RECORD FORM

Date of decision:	17 May 2023		
Title	Household Support Fund Delivery Partners		
Decision Maker	Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods		
Date published on Forward Plan		Date report published	
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	Yes
Decision: To distribute funds to local delivery partners to deliver The Household Support Fund by March 31st, 2024, to the sum of £ 328 535.10.			
Reason for decision: <p>Funding has come from the DWP to Gloucestershire County Council for their wider Household Support Fund grant programme and each district has been allocated a portion of that to deliver locally responding to need. Gloucestershire County Council has engaged with Gloucester City Council to support them to deliver the Household Support Fund to ensure support gets to households in the most need; particularly those who may not be eligible for the other support government has recently made available. The funding is to be distributed by March 2024 and to ensure support gets to the community through partners with whom we already have distribution relationships (mainly via the HAF work) and who collectively cover a broad area of the city and demographic, as well as being well placed to make sure funds go to those who need them the most.</p> <p>The County Council has been involved in the planning for this process. The rationale for distributing through VCSE organisations is that they have the local knowledge, connections and relationships with residents, schools and other community groups to distribute across the City reducing any barriers to accessing support whether that's due to digital poverty, pride or language barriers and through making those connections locally a relationship can be established, and connections made for people in their local community.</p>			
Alternative options considered: <p>There is no alternative available at this time due to the expediency required to deliver support to the community. Other options would not meet the time restrictions.</p>			
Representations received: <p>None</p>			

Other relevant matters concerning the decision:

None

People Impact Assessment (PIA):

Screening Stage completed:	Yes	No
Full PIA required, completed and attached	Yes	No

Conflicts of interest (including any dispensations granted):

None

Officer/s consulted: Community Wellbeing Manager, Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods, One Legal, Gloucestershire County Council

Background documents:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/household-support-fund-guidance-for-local-councils/1-april-2023-to-31-march-2024-household-support-fund-guidance-for-county-councils-and-unitary-authorities-in-england>

Confidential or Exempt Information: Yes No

Name of document(s) which are confidential or exempt : None

Scrutiny (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

This decision will come into force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of the publication of the decision.

Call-in Deadline: 23 June 2023

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 and is a true and accurate record of that decision:

Decision Maker:

Councillor Raymond Padilla
Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods

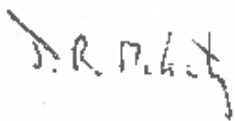
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Proper Officer:

Jon McGinty
Managing Director

Date: 17 May 2023



CALL-IN PROCEDURE

Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances, such as where Members have evidence which suggests that the Cabinet Member did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 13 (Decision Making) of the Council's Constitution.

Call-in of a decision must be requested within five working days of the publication of an executive decision. The request must be communicated in writing to a Corporate Directors by at least five Members of the Council.

Implementation of a decision that has been called-in is suspended until such time as it has been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and re-considered by the Cabinet in light of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and any recommendations.

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