

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000

REGISTER OF URGENT  
DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

NORTH DEVON COUNCIL CONSTITUTION  
– Part 3 Annex 2: Officer Delegations –  
Chief Executive



Reference No:

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1) SUBJECT:

Rough Sleeping Grant

2) REQUESTED DECISION:

Permission to set aside the requirements of the Contract Procedure Rules to tender for above £40,000 services namely; continuation funding for 4 x units of Housing First and an additional 2 units of Housing First Accommodation via Encompass Southwest at the cost of £40,000 over a 12 month period.

3) STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE REQUEST AND WHY IT IS URGENT:

North Devon Council have been successful in drawing down an additional £357,600 from Government following a submission to the Rough Sleepers Initiative. This project is aimed at reducing the number of people rough sleeping in North Devon.

The aim of the programme is to provide enhanced and better integrated services to individuals who present with multiple and complex needs. This includes the provision of continuation funding and additional Housing First accommodation (6 x units of continuation accommodation and an additional 2 x units of accommodation from Encompass Southwest who provide Housing First accommodation across North Devon and Torridge).

Following successful award of the bid NDC were issued with a funding structure from Government. This structure highlighted immediate service delivery as of the 01.04.2021 and without this approval we are unable to proceed and will be at risk of having to return the funding.

4) FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: (NOTE: Please state if there are any financial implications. If so, state whether there are sufficient funds within the agreed budget. If there are insufficient funds please state how the decision will be financed).

Please see above. The financial award made through the bid covers full costs of service delivery

5) ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:

None

6) A RECORD OF ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED:

N/A

7) A NOTE OF ANY DISPENSATION IF GRANTED:

N/A

8) LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS (but not including published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in paragraph 10.4 and 10.5 of the Access to Information Procedural Rules Part 4 of the Constitution):

Specification attached plus confirmation of grant funding from MHCLG

10) CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN:

The following have been consulted on this urgent decision:

Consultee	Consulted Yes/No	Date
Leader of Council ( <i>or Deputy Leader</i> )		
Chair of Committee (with the Authority to take the decision) ( <i>or Vice-Chair</i> )		
Lead Member		
Ward Member(s)		
Head of Service (Jeremy Mann)	Yes	08.03.2021
Finance	Yes	08.03.2021
Legal	Yes	08.03.2021

11) OFFICER REQUESTING URGENT DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE:

12) APPROVED BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE: YES or NO

13) DATE OF DECISION:

14) CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S COMMENTS:

15) DATE TO BE PRESENTED TO STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE:

05/07/2021

## GUIDANCE NOTES

### NOTE:

#### PROCEDURE FOR URGENT DECISIONS:

1. Completed form to be passed to the Chief Executive following consultation with the interested parties.
2. If a decision is specific to a Ward, efforts should be made to ascertain the views of the local Councillor (s).
3. The Chief Executive will make his decision.

#### PROCEDURE FOR URGENT DECISION MAKING AS PER THE CONSTITUTION

#### **Officer Delegations: the Chief Executive:**

#### **Urgent Decision Making**

- 3.48 To take a decision on any matter falling within the remit of any Committee in cases of urgency where it is not reasonably practicable to obtain prior approval of a Committee SUBJECT TO:
  - 3.48.1 the prior consultation, where practicable, with the Leader or Deputy Leader and the Chair or Vice Chair of the relevant Committee, and
  - 3.48.2 the proviso that this power will not extend to the determination of any application submitted pursuant to the Planning Acts or under the Licensing Act 2003 or the Gambling Act 2005, and
  - 3.48.3 the decision being reported to the next meeting of the relevant Committee and the next meeting of Strategy and Resources Committee.