

CONSENT TO URGENT DECISION	PART 1 (to be completed by the person seeking consent)	
Proposed Decision Maker (please name person or body proposing to take decision, if an officer also state title)	Date for Decision	
Leader of the Council	12/05/2022	
Title: Approval for Household Support Fund		
Summary of matter		
2.1 The Department for Work and Pensions requires urgent submission of the Council's Household Support Fund delivery plan.		
2.2 The proposal has been developed based on the following assumptions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • building on what has worked well over the last 18 months, • success of the Huggg supermarket vouchers and redemption rates (93%) • ensuring we have accurate data and robust governance that audit are satisfied with to sign off the management information returns • minimising fraud risk and duplication of awards • awards are issued in accordance with the framework 		
2.3 Key criteria for the grant has changed from previous rounds, requiring at least one third of the funding to be spent on households that include those of state pension age.		
2.4 The decision on the delegating the allocation of future funds will enable support to reach vulnerable households earlier.		
Proposed Decision		
That the Leader of the Council <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approves the Household Support Fund Offer proposed in section 3.1. ii. Agrees that in the event that the Secretary of State makes additional funding available under the Household Support Fund, authorises the Strategic Director for Resources, acting in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Climate & Culture, to determine the allocation of that funding in line with the criteria determined by the Department for Work and Pensions. 		
Reasons for urgency		
The DWP stated that the first lot of money must be spent before half term on the 30 th May. Schools need to be contacted at least two weeks before so this funding could be allocated to families in need.		
Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? [please identify relevant plan/budget provision]		
No		
PART 2 (to be completed by the person giving consent)		
Name	Adrian Warwick	
Office Held	Resources and Fire & Rescue OSC Chair	
		

Date consent is given	10/05/2022