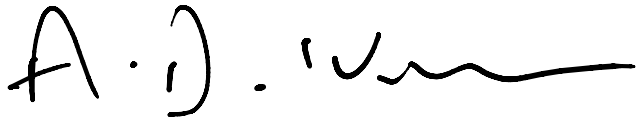


CONSENT TO URGENT DECISION	PART 1 (to be completed by the person seeking consent)	
Proposed Decision Maker ( <i>please name person or body proposing to take decision, if an officer also state title</i> )		Date for Decision
Councillor Izzi Seccombe		20 April 2020
Title: COVID-19 Business Improvement District Cashflow Loan Scheme		
<p>Summary of matter</p> <p>An urgent decision is required of the Leader to provide cash flow support to ensure in the immediate term 420 businesses across all sectors in Stratford Upon Avon continue to be provided with Business Improvement District (BID) support. In the next few months other towns that contain BID's may require this short-term support during the Coronavirus emergency which will assist WCC in the immediate retail and town centre economic recovery, indirectly supporting another 800 businesses.</p>		
<p>Proposed Decision</p> <p>That the Leader of the Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supports the provision of short term, interest free cash flow loans to Business Improvement Districts across Warwickshire to be repaid within the 2021/22 financial year and with a total maximum overall lending limit of £120k.</li> <li>2. Authorises the Strategic Director for Communities and Strategic Director for Resources to make the loans in accordance with the allocation criteria set out in paragraph 1.7.</li> </ol>		
<p>Reasons for urgency</p> <p>An urgent decision is required to enable the loan scheme to be set up as quickly as possible.</p>		
<p>Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? <i>[please identify relevant plan/budget provision]</i></p>		
<p>No</p>		

PART 2 (to be completed by the person giving consent)	
Name	Councillor: Adrian Warwick
Office Held	Chair of Resources and Fire & Rescue Overview and Scrutiny Committee
	
Date consent is given	17 April 2020