

Proposal	Detail	Process	Proposed Amount
Original Scheme	Closely following Government categories and guidelines around size of business, COVID loss and property costs.	Scheme opened early June and closed on 30 June. A number of applications are still live as further information sought from applicants.	£400k
Extension to Original Scheme	Re-opening of original scheme with the same rules to proactively contact businesses which have not come forward. This would include those in known shared spaces and lists compiled of B&Bs and market traders.	The businesses that the Council has information about which have not yet applied would be approached. Roughly, it is estimated that a further 100 businesses might be approached.	£200k
Change to Original Scheme to address 'near misses'	A number of original applications have been rejected which narrowly failed the original scheme eligibility criteria. Types of businesses include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those with vehicle related property costs (eg. ice cream vans, driving instructors) • Holiday lets • Home based businesses where there is clear delineation between home and office 	The proposal would amend the original criteria to allow applications from businesses in agreed categories. Businesses would still have to meet criteria of COVID related income loss, business size and no eligibility for other support. It is suggested, in the first instance, that a top-slice is agreed and that monies are distributed following the closure of a two week application period at the end of July.	£200k
Additional scheme to address small businesses affected beyond 4 th July	The criteria of the original scheme are retained (ongoing property costs, COVID income losses, small businesses, no other support to date) but eligibility is extended to any business not able to open due to Government guidelines (eg. gyms, nail bars).	Applications are invited from those businesses that are unable to open after 4 July seeking evidence that they are not permitted to open. It is not intended that businesses choosing not to open on 4 July would be included. It is suggested, in the first instance, that a top-slice is agreed and that monies are distributed following the closure of a two week application period at the end of July.	£200k

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Businesses with Rateable Values over £51k	A number of businesses have missed out on Government and local support to date. Many of these businesses are deemed 'important' to the local economy and the retention of local employment.	<p>A review of the business rates listing reveals more than 350 businesses in this category.</p> <p>With this category, it is recommended that a topslice is agreed and whilst some criteria might be retained such as COVID related income loss and no access to other support, the concept of importance to the local economy is more subjective and might have to be agreed on a case by case basis although some metrics might be used in this assessment (eg. number of staff).</p>	£200k
Businesses between £15k and £51k in Rateable Value which have not benefitted from RHL scheme.	A number of small businesses in sectors other than Retail, Hospitality and Leisure sector that have rateable values between £15k and £51k have missed out on any form of support to date. As above, many of these businesses are deemed 'important' to the local economy and the retention of local employment.	<p>A review of the business rates listing reveals a significant number of businesses in this category.</p> <p>With this category, it is recommended that a topslice is agreed and whilst some criteria might be retained such as COVID related income loss and no access to other support, the concept of importance to the local economy is more subjective and might have to be agreed on a case by case basis although some metrics might be used in this assessment (eg. number of staff).</p>	£200k
Disbursement of remaining funds over already eligible businesses.	A number of optional schemes are covered above. It is suggested that these are time limited and at the closure of the schemes and the distribution of monies that any residual monies are distributed amongst already eligible recipients of discretionary grant monies.	Any agreed proposals would run from mid July to the end of the month. At that point an exercise would be carried out to distribute remaining monies across those businesses already eligible. A decision would need to be made as to whether some types of businesses do not receive this additional distribution.	£280k
Total			£1.68m