

EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN BY CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDER NOTICE OF DECISION

TITLE OF DECISION:	
“COVID-19 LOCAL RESTRICTIONS SUPPORT POLICY 2020/21”	
NAME OF DECISION TAKER:	COUNCILLORS ERICA LEWIS, TIM HAMILTON-COX & ANNE WHITEHEAD
POSITION AND RESPONSIBILITY HELD:	LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, CABINET MEMBER WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC PROSPERITY & CABINET MEMBER WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCE
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Details of Decision:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Covid-19 Local Restrictions Support Policy 2020/21 is approved, as set out at <i>Appendix A</i> of the report with immediate effect. (Option 1) • The S151 Officer is authorised to make amendment to the Local Restrictions Support Policy 2020/21 to accommodate evolving guidance and any technical FAQ’s in relation to these schemes, and to make all other necessary arrangements for its implementation with immediate effect. 	
Reasons for the decision:	
<p>In response to the ongoing Covid-19 crisis, the Government announced there would be further funding to support businesses that are required to close, or have been severely impacted by the imposition of localised and national restrictions.</p> <p>The Local Restrictions Support Policy 2020/21 takes the form of a number of Local Restriction Support Grant (“LRSG”) funding schemes, set up to support local businesses during national lockdown (5 November to 2 December 2020), and to support businesses primarily in the hospitality, accommodation and leisure sector during periods of local restrictions imposed on the local area from 22nd September 2020 when Local Covid Alert Level (LCAL) Tier 2 restrictions were imposed and from 17th October 2020 when LCAL Tier 3 restrictions were imposed.</p> <p>The Chair of Overview & Scrutiny has been consulted and agreed that the decisions within the report are urgent, and as such has waived the “Call-in” period.</p>	
IS THE DECISION URGENT: YES	
PLEASE DELETE AS APPROPRIATE AND GIVE REASONS FOR URGENCY BELOW:	
THE SCHEME IS DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND IS AVAILABLE TO BUSINESSES THAT MEET THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA ON OR AFTER 22 SEPTEMBER 2020.	
THE COUNCIL IS OBLIGED TO HAVE ARRANGEMENTS IN PLACE AND MAKE GRANT PAYMENTS AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY FOLLOWING THE ISSUE OF GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE.	
I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE BEEN CONSULTED ON THE ABOVE DECISION AND THAT IT IS URGENT AND REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES. (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17 OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES)	
SIGNATURE OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY	
CHAIRMAN: CLLR TRICIA HEATH	
I confirm that I have taken account of the options proposed by officers, the various implications set out in the report and the comments of the Monitoring and Section 151 Officers and am authorising the decision as set out above.	

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

Promoting City, Coast & Countryside

SIGNATURE OF DECISION TAKERS:

CLLR E LEWIS
CLLR T HAMILTON-COX
CLLR A WHITEHEAD

DATE: 9.12.20

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

REF NO.

ICMD8

**DATE DECISION
TAKEN:**

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PUBLISHED:**

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**IMPLEMENTATION DATE
(publication day + 5
working days):**

Immediate – call-in has
been waived