

**BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK**

**RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS**

This is a record of a decision taken by the officers under delegated powers and where necessary taken in consultation with members and officers.

## **Delegated Power**

**Cabinet: 17 November 2020**

**Para 13:**

That authority be delegated to the Revenues and Benefits Manager, in consultation with the s151 Officer and Council Leader, to decide the discretionary criteria for government Covid-19 support schemes and discounts where they:

- Are part of a central government Covid-19 support initiative,
- Are funded by central government, and
- Will be administered by the Revenues and Benefits section

## **Decision Taken**

Creation of the policy for Lockdown Extension Grants under the Additional Restrictions Grant policy

The policy creates a discretionary scheme of Lockdown Extension Grants. It is intended to support leisure and hospitality businesses that are still unable to open or trade fully due to the delay to stage 4 of the lockdown roadmap.

The grants will be paid from the government's Additional Restrictions Grant funding.

## **Reasons for the Decision**

To agree the policy for awarding discretionary Lockdown Extension Grants to businesses to assist those which are still unable to fully reopen.

## **Options considered**

The policy continues support for a number of businesses already identified for help under the Additional Restrictions Grant policy and focusses on those in the leisure and hospitality industry such as nightclubs, who are unable to open until 19 July, and restaurants, bars, wedding venues and entertainment venues where limits on numbers are affecting their income.

## **Any declarations of interest and details of any dispensations granted in respect of interests.**

Not applicable

**Recommended by**

Signature



Jo Stanton, Revenues and Benefits Manager

Date 13 July 2021

**Authorisation**

Signature



Michelle Drewery, s151 Officer

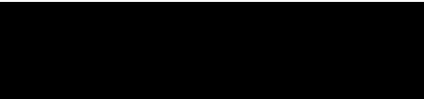
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**Consultation with members/officers**

**If the decision is taken following consultation with the members/officers, please give details:**

Consultation with the Council Leader, Councillor Stuart Dark

**Signed by Member as consulted:**



Councillor Stuart Dark

Date 13/07/2021

# Pre-Screening Equality Impact Assessment

Borough Council of  
King's Lynn &  
West Norfolk



Name of policy/service/function	Additional Restrictions Grant – Lockdown Extension Grant Policy				
Is this a new or existing policy/ service/function?	New				
Brief summary/description of the main aims of the policy/service/function being screened. Please state if this policy/service rigidly constrained by statutory obligations	The policy specifies the criteria for the categories of business and trader to be paid a discretionary Lockdown Extension Grant				
<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>				
<p>1. Is there any reason to believe that the policy/service/function could have a specific impact on people from one or more of the following groups <b>according to their different protected characteristic</b>, for example, because they have particular needs, experiences, issues or priorities or in terms of ability to access the service?</p> <p>Please tick the relevant box for each group.</p> <p>NB. Equality neutral means no negative impact on any group.</p>		Positive	Negative	Neutral	Unsure
	Age			√	
	Disability			√	
	Gender			√	
	Gender Re-assignment			√	
	Marriage/civil partnership			√	
	Pregnancy & maternity			√	
	Race			√	
	Religion or belief			√	
	Sexual orientation			√	
Other (eg low income)			√		
<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>	<b>Comments</b>			
2. Is the proposed policy/service likely to affect relations between certain equality communities or to damage relations between the equality communities and the Council, for example because it is seen as favouring a particular community or denying opportunities to another?	No				
3. Could this policy/service be perceived as impacting on communities differently?	No				
4. Is the policy/service specifically designed to tackle evidence of disadvantage or potential discrimination?	No				
<p>5. Are any impacts identified above minor and if so, can these be eliminated or reduced by minor actions? If yes, please agree actions with a member of the Corporate Equalities Working Group and list agreed actions in the comments section</p>	N/A	<b>Actions:</b>			
		<b>Actions agreed by EWG member:</b> .....NA.....			
<b>Assessment completed by:</b> Name Joanne Stanton					
<b>Job title Revenues and Benefits Manager</b>	Date 13 July 2021				