

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

**REF No 277/21**

<b>A1</b> Service Area	Environment and Housing
<b>A2</b> Title	Extension of 2020/21 Rough Sleeping Initiative Contracts by 3 months
<b>A3</b> Decision Taken By	Deputy Leader/ Chief Officer
<b>A4</b> Chief Officer	Please print name: Sal Khan  Please sign name: <a href="#">Approval by email 090421</a>
<b>A5</b> Leader / Deputy Leader	Please print name: Cllr Ray Faulkner  Please sign name: <a href="#">Approved by email 090421</a>
<b>A6</b> Date of Decision	9 April 2021

**Confidentiality**

<b>A7</b> Is this Decision confidential by containing exempt information as described in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972?	No
<b>A7.1</b> If yes, please state relevant paragraph from Schedule 12A LGA 1972.	NA

**Scrutiny**

**A8** Which Scrutiny Committee should this decision be submitted to?

Scrutiny (Audit & Value for Money Council Services) Committee

Scrutiny (Community Regeneration, Environment and Health and Well Being)

Committee ✓

<b>B1</b> What is the Decision?	<p>Following correspondence from the Minister at Appendix 1, the '2021/22 Rough Sleeping Initiative Fund' will commence on 1 July 2021 and current funding arrangements will continue until then. Therefore pending the outcome of the 2021/22 funding application, the Council needs to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extend the Housing First Intervention for a further 3 months until 30 June 2021</li> <li>• Extend the Navigator Service for a further 3 months until 30 June 2021</li> </ul>
<b>B2</b> What are the reasons for the Decision?	<p>The measures detailed above are currently in operation, and have been shown to be effective with the most recent rough sleeper count producing a result of zero.<sup>1</sup></p>
<b>B3</b> What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities?	<p>Protecting and Strengthening Communities</p>
<b>B4</b> What are the Human Rights considerations?	<p>There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.</p>

### Financial Implications

<b>B5</b> What are the financial implications?	<p>The main financial issues arising from this decision are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The MHCLG has guaranteed funding for existing interventions from 1 April 2021 to end June 2021, this will automatically be paid to the Council in April 2021 (Appendix 2).</li> <li>• The MHCLG have confirmed the amounts payable and requirements attached to the funding (Appendix 5).</li> <li>• The service agreement will state that the service provider will only receive payment when the funding is received from the MHCLG.</li> <li>• The revenue will be provided by the MHCLG pursuant to sections 31(3) and 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003.</li> </ul>
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<sup>1</sup> Whilst the listed projects have been vital to the reduction in rough sleeping, there are a number of other important factors.

Revenue	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Housing First Intervention	£0	£12,000	£0
Navigator Service	£0	£10,750	£0

The finance section has been approved by the following member of the Financial Management Unit:	Please print name: Anya Murray  Please sign name: <a href="#">Approved by email 080421</a>
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### Policy Framework

<b>B6</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's policy framework?	Yes
<b>B6.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	NA
<b>B6.2</b> Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	Yes
<b>B7</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's budget?	Yes
<b>B7.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	NA
<b>B7.2</b> Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	Yes


### Equalities Implications

<b>B8</b> What are the Equalities implications:
<b>B8.1</b> Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Through engagement with residents of the Housing First it is anticipated that the services will assist reintegration for those that have become excluded, although this is likely to be a lengthy process in most cases.</li> <li>The Navigator service will proactively engage with rough sleepers who require more time and specialist intervention than is currently available via the existing Rough Sleeper Outreach Service.</li> </ul>
<b>B8.2</b> Negative (Threats):
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None identified.</li> </ul>
<b>B8.3</b> The subject of this decision is not a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. An equality impact assessment is not required.
<b>B8.4</b> The equality impact assessment identified the following actions to be carried out: NA

## Risk Assessment

<b>B9</b> What are the Risk Assessment implications:
<b>B9.1</b> Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Utilises MHCLG income for the purpose it was intended.</li><li>• Facilitates the seamless continuation should the 2021/22 RSI bid be successful.</li></ul>
<b>B9.2</b> Negative (Threats): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None identified.</li></ul>
<b>B9.3</b> The risks do not need to be entered in the Risk Register. Any financial implications to mitigate against these risks are considered above.

## Legal Considerations

<b>B10</b> What are the Legal Considerations:
<b>B10.1</b> The main legal issues arising from this decision are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The revenue will be provided by the MHCLG pursuant to sections 31(3) and 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003.</li><li>• The services will be commissioned in accordance with the Council's exemption to contract procedures (Appendix 3 and 4).</li></ul>
This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team
Please print name: Linda J Durham
Please sign name  Also approval by email 020321

## Sustainability Implications

<b>B11</b> What are the Sustainability implications:
<b>B11.1</b> The proposal would not result in an overall positive effect in terms of sustainability (including climate change and change adaptation measures).
<b>B11.2</b> Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): NA
<b>B11.3</b> Negative (Threats): NA

## Health & Safety Implications

<b>B12</b> What are the Health & Safety implications:
<b>B12.1</b> A Risk Assessment has not been carried out and entered into Safety Media for all significant hazards and risks because there are no significant hazards or risks arising from this decision.
<b>B12.2</b> NA
<b>B12.3</b> NA
<b>B12.3.1</b> Positive (Benefits): NA
<b>B12.3.2</b> Negative (Threats): NA

## Key Decision

**B13** Is this a Key Decision?      No

**Note: A Key Executive Decision is one where:**

1. **REVENUE** – Any contract or proposal with an annual payment or saving of more than £100,000
2. **CAPITAL** – Any capital project with a value in excess of £150,000
3. A decision which significantly affects communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

<b>B13.1</b> If this is a Key Decision, is this an urgent decision such that a delay caused by use of the Call-in Procedure would <u>seriously</u> prejudice the public interest?	NA
<b>B13.2</b> If yes, has the Mayor or in his/her absence the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee agreed that the decision will be exempt from Call-in?	NA

**NOTE:** If this decision is subject to the Call-in Procedure it will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 3 working days after publication – unless 10 Members of the Council call in the decision.

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