

#### **EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

#### **REF 317/21**

A1 Service Area	Environment and Housing
A2 Title	Continuation of Emergency Bed Spaces Project for Q2, 3 & 4
A3 Decision Taken By	Deputy Leader/ Chief Officer
A4 Chief Officer	Please print name: Sal Khan
	Please sign name: Approval by email 230621
A5 Deputy Leader	Please print name: Cllr Ray Faulkner
	Please sign name: Approval by email 200621
A6 Date of Decision	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2021

### Confidentiality

A7 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? (*Please tick as appropriate*)

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?	To continue to provide the successful Emergency Bed Spaces Project for the period 1 July 2021 until 31 March 2022 following a successful bid for MHCLG funding under the Rough Sleeping Initiative Year 4 (Appendix 1, also see EDR no. 275/21).
B2 What are the reasons for the Decision?	<ul> <li>The project has been successfully revised to fit with parameters of the Rough Sleeping Initiative, as intended under EDR 286/21, and is now part of the regular funding envelope now in its third year.</li> <li>Following successful implementation of a new funding model the delivery partner, Burton YMCA, has agreed to deliver the project at a reduced cost, utilising underspend from 2020/21 (Appendix 2).</li> </ul>
<b>B3</b> What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities?	Protecting and Strengthening Communities
<b>B4</b> What are the Human Rights considerations?	There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.

#### **Financial Implications**

# **B5** What are the financial implications?

The main financial issues arising from this decision are as follows:

- The MHCLG has awarded funding for this project for the period 1 Jul 2021 to the end of March 2022.
- The service will operate on the same basis as it has since 1 April 2021 for reduced cost (Appendix 2).
- The service agreement will state that the service provider will only receive payment when the funding is received from the MHCLG.
- The revenue is be provided by the MHCLG pursuant to sections 31(3) and 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003.

Revenue	2021/22	2022/23
MHCLG Funding awarded for the Emergency	£27,000	£0
Bed Spaces intervention Q2-Q4 (Appendix 1)		
Underspend per Appendix 1 which relates to	(£4,200)	£0
Emergency Bed Spaces 2020/21		
Payment to provider re Emergency Bed		
Spaces Provision 2021/22 Q2-Q4 (takes	(£23,000)	£0
account of final 2020/21 underspend)		
Monies available from not specifically		
allocated funds in 2021/22 (Appendix 1)	£200	£0
Impact on the MTFS	Nil	Nil

The finance section has been		
approved by the following member		
of the Financial Management Unit:		

Please print name: Anya Murray

Please sign name: Approval by email

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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.</b> 2 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**

**B8** What are the Equalities implications:

#### **B8.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

- Through engagement with recipients of the Emergency Bed Spaces it is anticipated that the service will assist reintegration for those that have become excluded, although this is likely to be a lengthy process in most cases.
- A 'safe place to stay' is vital to prevent harmful exposure to the elements, and to facilitate contact between marginalised individuals and relevant services to enable a transition into settled accommodation.

#### **B8.2** Negative (Threats):

- In order to enable Housing Benefit recovery at the required level, 2 groups will be unable to access the bed spaces. These groups have been afforded alternative provision in the Rough Sleeping Initiative Year 4under the 'surge funding' element.
- **B8.3** The subject of this decision is a policy, strategy, function or service that is not new or being revised. An equality impact assessment is not required.
- **B8.4** The equality impact assessment identified the following actions to be carried out: NA

#### **Risk Assessment**

**B9** What are the Risk Assessment implications:

#### **B9.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

- This project will continue to provide a clear and prompt route of the streets from those found to be / at risk of rough sleeping, providing a clear pathway across the wider set of rough sleeping projects commissioned by the Council.
- This project will contribute to maintaining the lowest possible level of rough sleeping, bringing a beneficial impact to the individuals and the wider community.

#### **B9.2** Negative (Threats):

None identified.

**B9** What are the Risk Assessment implications:

**B9.3** 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**

**B10** What are the Legal Considerations:

**B10.1** The main legal issues arising from this decision are as follows:

- The revenue, if received, will be provided by the MHCLG pursuant to sections 31(3) and 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003.
- The Emergency Bed Spaces will be commissioned in accordance with the Council's exemption to contract procedures (Appendix 3).

This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team Please print name: Linda Durham

Please sign name

and Approval by email 170621

#### **Sustainability Implications**

**B11** What are the Sustainability implications:

**B11.1** The proposal would not result in an overall positive effect in terms of sustainability (including climate change and change adaptation measures). The positive/negative impacts are set out below (please refer to guidance notes).

B11.2 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): NA

**B11.3** Negative (Threats): NA

#### **Health & Safety Implications**

B12 What are the Health & Safety implications:

B12.1 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.

B12.2 Any financial implications to mitigate against these hazards and risks are considered above.

B12.3 NA

B12.3.1 Positive (Benefits): NA

B12.3.2 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.

B13.1 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
B13.2 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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