

## Delegated Decision Notice

This form is the written record of a key, significant operational or administrative decision taken by an officer.

<b>Decision type</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Operational Decision	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Decision
<b>Approximate value</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Below £500,000 <input type="checkbox"/> £500,000 to £1,000,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> over £1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> below £25,000 <input type="checkbox"/> £25,000 to £100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> £100,000 to £500,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Over £500,000	<input type="checkbox"/> below £25,000 <input type="checkbox"/> £25,000 to £100,000
<b>Director<sup>1</sup></b>	Children and Families		
<b>Contact person:</b>	Sarah Johal		Telephone number: 07891277316
<b>Subject<sup>2</sup>:</b>	One Adoption West Yorkshire to enter into an agreement with and accept grant funding of £2m from the Department for Education (DfE)		
<b>Decision details<sup>3</sup>:</b>	<p>What decision has been taken? (Set out all necessary decisions to be taken by the decision taker including decisions in relation to exempt information, exemption from call in etc.)</p> <p>The Director of Children and Families approved the proposal for the Council to enter into an agreement and accept £2m grant funding from the DfE on behalf of OAWY, such grant funding to be managed by OAWY on behalf of all RAAs for the purpose of undertaking adoption recruitment activity on a national and regional scale and supporting the development of a national adoption strategic lead and project team to further improve the adoption system for children, with the Council acting as the lead local authority.</p>		
	<p>A brief statement of the reasons for the decision (Include any significant financial, procurement, legal or equalities implications, having consulted with Finance, PACS, Legal, HR and Equality colleagues as appropriate)</p> <p>The DfE has made available grant funding to undertake adoption recruitment activity on a national and regional scale, to further support the adoption regionalisation reforms that were introduced in 2017. This grant is intended to boost adopter recruitment across England and continue the successful recruitment strategies employed by RAAs since this funding was first made available in 2019. There is additional funding this year to support the development of a national team to improve the adoption system.</p> <p>The Department for Education (DfE) and Regional Adoption Agency (RAA) leaders agreed collectively to pool the resources and deposit the funds into one RAA.</p>		

<sup>1</sup> Give title of Director with delegated responsibility for function to which decision relates.


<sup>2</sup> If the decision is key and has appeared on the list of forthcoming key decisions, the title of the decision should be the same as that used in the list

<sup>3</sup> Simply refer to supporting report where used as these matters have been set out in detail.

	<p>One Adoption West Yorkshire (OAWY) has agreed to act as a central repository for the grant funds on behalf of all RAAs.</p> <p>It is anticipated this grant funding will be made available in June 2021.</p> <p>This funding is additional revenue funding that is ring fenced to deliver the outcomes specified in the DfE grant agreement.</p>
	<p>Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision</p> <p>No other options have been considered.</p> <p>This is the third round of DfE Section 31 grant funding, which builds on the successful work funded from the first and second rounds of funding.</p>
<b>Affected wards:</b>	No wards are affected in particular as this grant funding will be invested across the regional and nationally.
<b>Details of consultation undertaken<sup>4</sup>:</b>	<p>Executive Member</p> <p>Executive Member for Adult and Children's Social Care and Health Partnerships</p>
	Ward Councillors
	Others
<b>Implementation</b>	<p>Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation</p> <p>Head of Service One Adoption West Yorkshire</p>
<b>List of Forthcoming Key Decisions<sup>5</sup></b>	<p>Date Added to List:- 22/6/21</p>
	<p><b>If Special Urgency or General Exception</b> a brief statement of the reason why it is impracticable to delay the decision</p> <p>This decision has not been published on the List of Forthcoming key Decisions 28 days previously in line with the general exemption rule under 2.5 of the constitution as the decision to make the grant funding available was not made formally by DfE until week commencing 14/6/21 and the decision needs to be implemented rapidly.</p>
	<p><b>If Special Urgency</b> Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p>

<sup>4</sup> Include details of any interest disclosed by an elected Member on consultation and the date of any relevant dispensation given.

<sup>5</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 2.4 - 2.6. Complete this section for key decisions only

<b>Publication of report<sup>6</sup></b>	If not published for 5 clear working days prior to decision being taken the reason why not possible:	
	If published late relevant Executive member's approval Signature _____ Date _____	
<b>Call In</b>	Is the decision available <sup>7</sup> for call-in?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<b>If exempt from call-in</b> , the reason why call-in would prejudice the interests of the council or the public:	
<b>Approval of Decision</b>	Authorised decision maker <sup>8</sup> Sal Tariq, Director of Children and Families	
	Signature 	Date: 25/6/21

<sup>6</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 3.1. Complete this section for key decisions only

<sup>7</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 5.1. Significant operational decisions taken by officers are never available for call in. Key decisions are always available for call in unless they have been exempted from call in under rule 5.1.3.

<sup>8</sup> Give the post title and name of the officer with appropriate delegated authority to take the decision.