

Delegated Decision Notice (DDN)

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

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| Decision type | <input type="checkbox"/> Key Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant Operational Decision | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Decision |
| Approximate value | <input type="checkbox"/> Below £500,000 <input type="checkbox"/> £500,000 to £1,000,000 <input type="checkbox"/> over £1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> below £25,000 <input type="checkbox"/> £25,000 to £100,000 <input checked="" 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 |
| Director¹ | James Rogers | | |
| Contact person: | Susan Skinner | | Telephone number: 0113 3781782 |
| Subject²: | Rough Sleeping Initiative Fund – targeted support for people who are rough sleeping and begging. Request for approval to provide funds to Change Grow Live (Leeds Street Outreach) | | |
| Decision details³: | 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.) The Director of Communities, Housing and Environment approved the allocation of £220,000 as a grant (payable in instalments) to CGL to employ six Assertive Street Outreach Workers (four already in post and two to be recruited); and a further £4,095 to CGL to provide needs led additional weekend outreach support work for a 9 month period. Responsibility for implementation of this decision is the Integrated Commissioning Team, Adults and Health. | | |
| | 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) In 2018/19 a successful bid was made to MHCLG's Rough Sleeper Initiative (RSI) for two workers to support people who are, or are at risk of, rough sleeping and / or begging to access accommodation. One would take the role of an assertive outreach worker, the second provided in-reach in hospitals and prisons. The workers were placed within Change Grow Live (CGL) which already delivered the city's Street Outreach Team. In 2020/21 MHCLG agreed to continue this work increasing the number of posts to four in total so that the service could meet demand. | | |

¹ Give title of Director with delegated responsibility for function to which decision relates.

² 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

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

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| | <p>A new bid for 21/22 has now been successful with a further increase in posts to 6 across the service which will give-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 x assertive outreach workers (including one with additional language skills to better engage with EEA clients) • 2 x in-reach workers in hospital and prison settings. <p>This will further strengthen the contribution that the team can make to the Leeds Street Support Team and help meet the government's targets to half rough sleeping numbers from the 2017 baseline by 2022 and to end rough sleeping by 2027. For Leeds this means reducing rough sleeping numbers to 14 by 2022.</p> <p>In addition further funds were approved by MHCLG for 2021/22 to provide additional weekend street outreach services on a needs led basis. This funding will pay for up to 9 weekends of additional shifts across the next funding period.</p> <p>People who are rough sleeping and begging may be vulnerable and at risk of abuse or may present safeguarding risks to others in the city. Additional support will reduce risk to all concerned.</p> <p>This is a Significant Operational Decision as the total cost is over £100,000.</p> <p>Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision</p> <p>Through ongoing consultation with partners it is agreed that having dedicated and specialist workers is the most effective approach for addressing risks associated with hospital and prison discharge and rough sleeping.</p> |
| Affected wards: | All |
| Details of consultation undertaken⁴: | <p>Executive Member</p> <p>The Executive Member for Communities has been regularly briefed.</p> <p>Ward Councillors</p> <p>Others</p> |
| Implementation | <p>Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation</p> <p>Julie Staton, Head of Commissioning</p> <p>Four of the posts already exist and are being extended. Recruitment for the additional posts will be carried out as soon as possible.</p> |

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

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| List of Forthcoming Key Decisions⁵ | Date Added to List:- |
| | If Special Urgency or General Exception a brief statement of the reason why it is impracticable to delay the decision |
| | If Special Urgency Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval Signature _____ Date _____ |
| Publication of report⁶ | 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 _____ |
| Call In | Is the decision available ⁷ for call-in? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| | If exempt from call-in , the reason why call-in would prejudice the interests of the council or the public: |
| Approval of Decision | Authorised decision maker ⁸ James Rogers, Director Communities, Housing & Environment |
| | Signature _____ Date: 23/07/21  |

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

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

⁷ 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.

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