

## Delegated Decision Notice (DDN)

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>	Director of Communities, Housing and Environment		
<b>Contact person:</b>	Alison Ferguson		Alison.ferguson@leeds.gov.uk
<b>Subject<sup>2</sup>:</b>	<b>Support to victims-survivors of domestic abuse living in safe accommodation: DLUHC funding 2022/23</b>		
<b>Decision details<sup>3</sup>:</b>	<p>The Director of Communities, Housing and Environment approved:</p> <p>(i) under the provision of Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR) - Regulation 72(1)(c).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DN194503: £368,777 to Leeds Women's Aid for the Leeds Domestic Violence Service</li> <li>• DN194503: £295,897 to Leeds Domestic Violence Service (via Leeds Women's Aid as the lead agency) to provide additional support through the existing community based domestic abuse service.</li> <li>• DN199026: £82,730 to Turning Lives Around Ltd for the Beacon Service</li> <li>• DN421340: £203,136 to Gipsil Limited for the Our Way Leeds Service</li> <li>• DN415655: £50,000 to Basis Yorkshire</li> </ul> <p>ii) grant allocations to the following organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £255,945 to Leeds Womens Aid to provide additional support to clients living in the non-commissioned Leeds Women's Aid refuge</li> <li>• £298,273 as a grant to Leeds Women's Aid to develop, manage and fund a new Sanctuary Support Team which will include workers from a number of community based organisations</li> <li>• up to £50,000 as a grant to St Anne's Community Services to</li> </ul>		

<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>provide domestic violence support to the clients they support through their accommodation based housing support services.</p> <p>iii) allocation of £280,000 to Leeds City Council (Safer Leeds and Leeds Housing Options (LHO) to fund the staff resource required to undertake the administrative burden of the new Statutory Duty and to increase and develop the domestic violence and abuse specialism within the LHO team</p> <p>iv) that the remaining funding relating to this decision (£305,051) will be made via Significant Operational Decision or Administrative Decisions as appropriate.</p> <p>The funding will be used to increase the number of domestic abuse support workers across the city, providing additional and enhanced support to people experiencing domestic violence and abuse.</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 decision has been made to ensure that Leeds City Council is meeting the new statutory duty of ensuring that all victim-survivors of domestic violence and abuse who are living in safe accommodation (as defined by Government guidance) are provided with ongoing support.</p> <p>Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision</p> <p>The option of all new posts being recruited by Leeds Domestic Violence Service and seconded to partner organisations was considered, but all parties agreed that the option of recruiting directly was preferable. This will result in longer-term benefits by increasing the knowledge and skills within the accommodation-based housing support sector.</p>
<b>Affected wards:</b>	City-wide
<b>Details of consultation undertaken<sup>4</sup>:</b>	<p>Executive Member of Resources has been briefed and is chair of the Domestic Abuse Local Partnership Board which was also consulted.</p> <p>Ward Councillors – n/a</p>


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

	<p>Others</p> <p>Domestic Abuse Local Partnership Board</p> <p>Domestic Abuse Voice and Accountability Forum</p> <p>Victim-Survivors</p> <p>Providers of commissioned housing related support services</p>	
<b>Implementation</b>	<p>Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation</p> <p>Alison Ferguson, Commissioning Manager; implementation will begin once the call-in period relating to this decision has expired.</p>	
<b>List of Forthcoming Key Decisions<sup>5</sup></b>	Date Added to List:- 2nd March 2022	
	<b>If Special Urgency or General Exception</b> a brief statement of the reason why it is impracticable to delay the decision	
	<p><b>If Special Urgency</b> Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p>	
<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:	
	<p>If published late relevant Executive member's approval</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p>	
<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:	

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

<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.

<b>Approval of Decision</b>	Authorised decision maker <sup>8</sup> James Rogers, Director of Communities, Housing and Environment	
	Signature 	Date 7/6/22

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