

**Decision Session - Executive Member for Finance and
Performance in consultation with the Executive Member for
Economy and Strategic Planning for Agenda Item 3 (Lockdown
And Tier 3 – Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG))**

Thursday, 12 November 2020

Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session Executive Member for Finance and Performance held on Thursday, 12 November 2020. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Angela Bielby.

3. Lockdown And Tier 3 – Additional Restrictions Grant (Arg)

Resolved:

- (i) That the Chief Operating Officer be recommended to make an emergency decision to:
- Implement a discretionary grants scheme providing support to the businesses outlined and at the levels indicated in paragraphs 19 and 20 to run until March 2022.
 - Instruct the Head of Economic Growth to develop more detailed proposals for a business support voucher scheme for consideration at a subsequent Executive Member Decision Session
 - Allocate a preliminary budget of £200k to fund future reopening events
 - Keep the allocations under review as the pandemic progresses, bring update reports back to Executive Member Decision Sessions should the budget need to be adapted.

- (ii) That should any element of this scheme be changed by subsequent government, delegation for the decision under this scheme be given to the Chief Finance Officer (s151) in consultation with the Executive Member Finance and Performance/Executive Member Economy & Strategic Planning, with changes approved retrospectively in public at the next available Executive Member decision session.

Reason: To support to York businesses which are affected by the Lockdown and Tier 3 restrictions but not eligible for Local Restrictions Grant (Closed) funding.