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– Claire Johnson (0208 132 1154)

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1/37/21-22	Cllr Mary Maguire, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement	Wednesday 7 th December 2021	Part 1	ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS GRANT (ARG) AND WELCOME BACK FUNDING (WBF) GRANT	KD 5386	All	Tuesday 6 th December 2021	1-2

DECISIONS

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LIST REFERENCE: 1/37/21-22

SUBJECT TITLE OF THE REPORT:							
ADDITIONAL RESTRICIONS GRANT (ARG) AND WELCOME BACK FUNDING (WBF) GRANT							
Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by decision	Decision taken by	Date Decision comes into effect	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by
Part 1	ALL	Cllr Mary Maguire, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement	Wednesday 7 December 2021	N/A	KD 5386	Sam Buckley Head of ARG and Grants 02081321357 Sam.Buckley@enfi.eld.gov.uk	Tuesday 6 th December 2021
DECISION							
<p>AGREED subject to not being called in: That it is recommended that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of the delivery of the ARG schemes and WBF scheme outlined within this report. 2. For ARG, the funds are to be distributed through a mixture of direct grants to businesses, business support schemes and town centre development and regeneration programmes in line with the aims and vision of the Economic Development Strategy and Council Plan and is in line with the associated guidelines and criteria. 							
OPTIONS CONSIDERED							
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A number of differing options have been examined as part of devising the proposal to spend this grant. 2. A thorough engagement has been undertaken with council departments and teams through brainstorming sessions to ensure these ideas are evidence led. We have explored and researched best practice with other local authorities. The approach has also been informed by consultation with local businesses through surveys and focus group. A robust methodology was then applied to all the ideas to score their suitability against a range of criteria. This criterion looked at the tangibility of the scheme, the outcomes and outputs, how it fits with the ARG and WBF guidance and how the ideas support the aims of the Council Plan and Economic Development Strategy. 							
REASONS FOR PROPOSAL							
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. These grants are mutually supportive of each other in that they share the same aims in supporting local businesses and the local economy in post pandemic recovery, and so are being considered and developed alongside each other although both have their own specific 							

guidelines, framework and rules on what the monies can be used for.

2. This activity will contribute to securing the economic success of Enfield and providing a boost to the local economy and support and enhance the existing offer.

3. These activities have been designed through careful examination of the government guidance looking at what is permitted under the guidance

4. We have undertaken thorough engagement with council departments and teams through brainstorming sessions to ensure these ideas are evidence led. We have explored and researched best practice with other local authorities. The approach has also been informed by consultation with local businesses through surveys and focus group. A robust methodology was then applied to all the ideas to score their suitability against a range of criteria. This criterion looked at the tangibility of the scheme, the outcomes and outputs, how it fits with the ARG and WBF guidance and how the ideas support the aims of the Council Plan and Economic Development Strategy.

5. By utilising the additional ARG funding for wider business support schemes alongside smaller direct grants we will establish a legacy for the borough to encourage entrepreneurship and growth. We wish to create a framework of support to establish new thriving businesses across a range of sectors and encourage, creative and innovative businesses and start-ups. This will also enable us to develop our economy and businesses in line with key strategies such as Cultural Strategy and Climate Change Agenda.

6. We recognise the need to spend the allocated money in a robust yet timely manner as all funding needs to be spent by March 2022.

7. Government guidance on these grants is regularly updated and flexibility is needed to respond to this quickly for the benefit of the economy and local businesses.

BACKGROUND

Please note that a copy of the Part 1 report is available on the Council's democracy pages.