



Ministry of Housing,
Communities &
Local Government

08th April 2020

Dear Colleague

2020/21 £16.6 million Fund for Support to Victims of Domestic Abuse, and their Children, within Safe-Accommodation: agreement to pay local authorities under the power in s31 of the Local Government Act 2003 [No. 31/ 5007]

Thank you for your authority's continued work to provide support for victims of domestic abuse, and their children, within safe accommodation. I am pleased to inform you that the Department is now able to issue a Determination covering the 2020-21 fund for domestic abuse support in safe accommodation services, including refuge, to help local areas for this year until the new statutory duty comes into force in April 2021, subject to the passage of the Domestic Abuse Bill.

In line with the bidding prospectus for the fund, and as detailed in the individual bids submitted, local authorities and their partners are committing to ensuring no victim is turned away from the support they need by providing appropriate services that meet the differing needs of victims.

I enclose a Determination made under section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, for the purpose of providing grant support to councils in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them to support the provision of domestic abuse services, including refuge, to help local areas meet the priorities for domestic abuse services for 2020-21.

During the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, it is more important than ever that victims of domestic abuse are able to access safe accommodation if they need it. We are in close discussion with refuge providers, supporting their plans to keep domestic abuse safe accommodation open to victims. Please follow the link below to see the guidance issued to providers of domestic abuse safe accommodation.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-domestic-abuse-safe-accommodation-provision>.

The Government has announced that £1.6 billion of the £5 billion Covid-19 fund announced in the Budget will go to local authorities to help respond to Covid-19 pressures across all the services local authorities deliver. This includes increasing support for services helping the most vulnerable and we do strongly encourage you to use some of this funding to support your local domestic abuse services.

In addition, Government has also published information and guidance on the public procurement regulations and responding to the COVID-19 outbreak. We would encourage local authorities to read this guidance to support in commissioning of services for delivery of projects successful through this fund round, as well as other local domestic abuse services.

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/873521/PPN_01-20 - Responding to COVID19.v5_1 .pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/873521/PPN_01-20_-_Responding_to_COVID19.v5_1.pdf)

Yours sincerely



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**SUPPORT TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE WITHIN SAFE-
ACCOMMODATION: FUNDING (2020-21) [No. 31/ 5007]**

The Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003 hereby makes the following determination: -

Citation

- 1) This determination may be cited as the Support to victims of domestic abuse within safe-accommodation: funding, (2020-21) [No. 31/ 5007].

Purpose of the grant

- 2) The purpose of the grant is to provide support to local authorities in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

Determination

- 3) The Minister determines as the authorities to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid as set out in Annex A of this determination.

Treasury consent

- 4) Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Minister obtained the consent of the Treasury

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.



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Annex A

Local Authority	2020-21 £
Total	16,610,364
London Borough of Barking and Dagenham	199,888.00
London Borough of Barnet	100,000.00
Basildon Borough Council	353,088.00
Bath and North East Somerset Council	82,000.00
London Borough of Bexley	99,847.00
Bournemouth Borough Council	98,500.00
London Borough of Brent	40,000.00
Brighton and Hove City Council	99,692.00
Buckinghamshire County Council	70,000.00
Cambridgeshire County Council	119,600.00
Carlisle City Council	349,894.00
Central Bedfordshire Council	192,000.00
Chelmsford City Council	99,938.00
Cheltenham Borough Council	44,000.00
City of Nottingham Council	100,000.00
Colchester Borough Council	507,827.00
Cornwall Council (Unitary)	194,600.00
London Borough of Croydon	141,996.00
Derby City Council	99,973.00
Derbyshire County Council	523,497.00
North Devon	229,263.00
Royal Borough of Greenwich	52,500.00
London Borough of Hackney	95,275.00
London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham	201,079.00
London Borough of Harrow	170,300.00
Hart District Council	974,540.00
Herefordshire Council	94,125.00
Hertfordshire County Council	380,000.00

London Borough of Hounslow	43,315.00
Isle of Wight Council	99,600.00
London Borough of Islington	310,327.00
Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea	74,000.00
Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council	340,000.00
London Borough of Lambeth	98,100.00
Lancashire County Council	878,208.00
Leicestershire County Council	706,996.00
London Borough of Lewisham	99,995.00
Lichfield District Council	99,927.00
Lincolnshire County Council	187,871.00
Luton Borough Council	99,997.00
Manchester City Council	125,824.00
Milton Keynes	86,412.00
Newcastle-upon-Tyne City Council	600,000.00
London Borough of Newham	100,000.00
Norfolk County Council	320,691.00
North East Lincolnshire Council	105,000.00
North Hertfordshire District Council	88,260.00
North Lincolnshire Council	95,000.00
Northamptonshire County Council	510,863.00
Nottinghamshire County Council	500,000.00
Oxfordshire County Council	54,504.97
Portsmouth City Council	399,915.00
Redcar and Cleveland Council	562,334.00
London Borough of Richmond upon Thames	359,592.00
Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council	55,926.00
Sheffield City Council	67,336.00
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council	622,682.00
South Gloucestershire Council	150,000.00
Southampton City Council	91,000.00

London Borough of Southwark	39,842.00
Stafford Borough Council	100,078.00
Stoke-on-Trent City Council	106,049.00
Stroud District Council	£87,242.00
Surrey County Council	£241,894.00
Sutton, London Borough of	£97,047.00
Swindon Borough Council	£99,995.00
Tameside Council	£151,571.00
Telford & Wrekin Council	£65,900.00
Tower Hamlets, London Borough of	£94,452.00
Trafford District Council	£258,884.00
Waltham Forest, London Borough of	£749,312.00
Westminster City Council (2)	£796,000.00
Worcestershire County Council.	£75,000.00