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**To Local Authorities
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LOCAL AUTHORITY BUS SUBSIDY (REVENUE) GRANT: DETERMINATION 2022/23: No 31/6183

Please see the attached Local Authority Bus Subsidy (Revenue) Grant: Specific Grant Determination 2022/23.

This follows the Government's decision in 2013 to devolve to local authorities:

- a) from 1 January 2014 – a sum broadly equivalent to the Bus Service Operators Grant (BSOG) previously paid to bus operators for running services under tender to local authorities;
- b) from 1 October 2013 – a sum broadly equivalent to the BSOG previously paid to authorities for running section 19 community transport services in-house;

I would like to take this opportunity to confirm that a payment is being paid to your authority in June 2022. This covers the combined amount due to your authority under (a) and/or (b) above, covering the period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023. The sum of this payment can be found in Annex A. The conditions of the grant including a declaration to be completed can be found in Annex B.

DfT reserve the right to request data/information from local authorities and other local decision bodies on the way in which the devolved funds have been used and the cost of the services/infrastructure bought with the funds, in order to allow the Department to evaluate the impact of devolving BSOG to local authorities.

DfT reserves the right to publish any data relating to this (after considering commercially sensitive information). Authorities are also encouraged to share

useful information and best practice on the use of the devolved funds with other local authorities.

It is important that all local authorities satisfy themselves that their commercial tender competitions are conducted in accordance with the relevant legal framework and that where a local authority provides direct grant funding to a community transport operator, that local authority ensures that those grants comply with the UK's subsidy control obligations. A guidance note on this issue can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/complying-with-the-uks-international-obligations-on-subsidy-control-guidance-for-public-authorities>.

Please email BSLAF@dft.gov.uk for queries relating to this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Matt Crane
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The Minister of State for Transport (“the Minister of State”), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, makes the following determination:

Citation

1) This determination may be cited as the Local Authority Bus Subsidy (Revenue) Grant Determination (2021/22) [No 31/6183].

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 of State determines as the authorities to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid, the authorities and the amounts set out in Annex A.

Treasury consent

5) Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Minister of State obtained the consent of the Treasury.

Signed by authority of the Minister of State for Transport



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ANNEX A

LOCAL AUTHORITY BUS SUBSIDY (REVENUE) GRANT

Transport authority	Amount of grant - £s
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	£26,088
Bedford Borough Council	£195,548
Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council	£65,375
Blackpool Borough Council	£41,141
Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Council	£294,368
Bradford City Council	£82,651
Brighton and Hove Council	£172,990
Buckinghamshire Council	£464,608
Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council	£42,698
Cambridgeshire County Council	£301,818
Central Bedfordshire Council	£136,394
Centro	£1,792,259
Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council	£314,318
City of York Council	£150,416
Cornwall County Council	£773,409
Cumbria County Council	£480,314
Darlington Borough Council	£36,354
Derby City Council	£36,542
Derbyshire County Council	£896,586
Devon County Council	£1,145,982
Dorset County Council	£395,092
Durham County Council	£347,169
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	£513,710
East Sussex County Council	£442,709
Eastleigh Borough Council	£5,785
Epsom and Ewell	£6,630
Essex County Council	£1,185,991
Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council	£13,419
Gloucestershire County Council	£458,365
Halton Borough Council	£89,574
Hampshire County Council	£1,068,177
Hartlepool Borough Council	£2,954
Havant Borough Council	£130
Herefordshire County Council	£218,580
Hertfordshire County Council	£1,211,630
Isle of Wight Council	£22,346

Transport authority	Amount of grant - £s
Kent County Council	£1,087,788
Kettering Borough Council	£5,074
Kingston upon Hull City Council	£134,398
Knowsley Council	£3,300
Lancashire County Council	£1,866,269
Leeds City Council	£177,534
Leicester City Council	£100,287
Leicestershire County Council	£534,721
Lincolnshire County Council	£535,302
Liverpool City Council	£46,946
London Borough of Barking and Dagenham	£13,989
London Borough of Barnet	£40,628
London Borough of Brent	£43,584
London Borough of Enfield	£18,897
London Borough of Harrow	£69,341
London Borough of Hillingdon	£21,666
London Borough of Hounslow	£24,896
London Borough of Islington	£3,412
London Borough of Merton	£41,030
London Borough of Redbridge	£44,802
Medway Council	£172,154
Merseytravel	£1,516,408
Metro	£2,063,592
Milton Keynes Council	£464,756
Newcastle City Council	£19,676
Nexus	£890,798
North Lincolnshire Council	£212,282
North East Lincolnshire Council	£16,785
North Northamptonshire Council	£105,654
North Yorkshire Council	£1,039,698
Northumberland County Council	£500,163
Nottingham City Council	£197,557
Nottinghamshire County Council	£1,002,539
Oxfordshire County Council	£794,733
Peterborough City Council	£107,212
Plymouth City Council	£85,008
Portsmouth City Council	£84,784
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council	£20,959
Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead	£76,146
Rutland County Council	£68,708

Transport authority	Amount of grant - £s
St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council	£23,398
Salford Metropolitan Borough Council	£21,478
Sheffield City Council	£106,858
Shropshire County Council	£512,447
Slough Borough Council	£43,138
Somerset County Council	£453,947
Southampton City Council	£75,112
South Yorkshire PTE	£1,127,171
Staffordshire County Council	£699,869
Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council	£8,983
Suffolk County Council	£614,935
Surrey County Council	£1,125,405
Swindon Borough Council	£176,205
Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council	£12,129
Telford and Wrekin Council	£90,742
Thurrock Council	£45,263
Transport for Greater Manchester	£2,953,691
Wakefield Metropolitan Borough Council	£37,753
Warrington Borough Council	£40,214
Warwickshire County Council	£669,113
West Berkshire District Council	£137,099
West Northamptonshire Council	£109,528
West of England Combined Authority	£1,147,621
West Sussex County Council	£436,145
Wiltshire County Council	£984,479
Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council	£14,536
Winchester City Council	£45,356
Wokingham Borough Council	£111,461
Worcestershire County Council	£530,551

GRANT CONDITIONS

1. Grant paid to a local authority under this determination may be used only for the purposes of supporting bus services (including community transport services run under a section 19 permit), or for the provision of infrastructure supporting such services in that authority's, or a neighbouring authority's, area.

2. The Chief Executive and Chief Internal Auditor of each of the recipient authorities are required to sign and return to BSLAF@dft.gov.uk a declaration, to be received no later than 30 September 2023, in the following terms:

“To the best of our knowledge and belief, and having carried out appropriate investigations and checks, in our opinion, in all significant respects, the conditions attached to Local Authority Bus Subsidy Revenue) Grant Determination 2022/23 have been complied with”.

3. Local authorities are required to report on how they have made use of the devolved funds and any decision making processes that followed. This should be done annually (by completing and submitting a short survey that will be issued by the Department) and this information should be published on their website (with a web link to this material being supplied to DfT).

4. If an authority fails to comply with any of the conditions and requirements of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3, the Minister may -

- a. reduce, suspend or withhold grant; or
- b. by notification in writing to the authority, require the repayment of the whole or any part of the grant.

5. Any sum notified by the Minister under paragraph 4b. shall immediately become repayable to the Minister.