

Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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| Reference Number: | 2856 |
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| Department: | Development |
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| Subject: | New Burdens Grant Payment for Brownfield Land Registers and Permission in Principle |
| Total Value: | £89,645 (Type: Revenue) |
| Decision Being Taken: | To receive grant payments from the Department for Communities and Local Government of up to £89,645 over three years, and to approve the spend of this funding be delegated to the Chief Planner, in line with the City Council's procurement procedures. (£14,645 retrospectively for 2016/17 and 3 further grant payments of £30,000 for 2017/18 and 2018/19 and £15,000 for 2019/20, the amount in these years to be kept under review by CLG). |
| Reasons for the Decision(s) | The Department for Communities and Local Government have awarded all Local Planning Authorities grant payments which could total £89,645 for the significant extra workload bought about by the introduction of Brownfield Land Registers and Permission in Principle. Local Planning Authorities have received new burdens grant of £14,645 retrospectively for 2016/17 and will receive 3 further grant payments of £30,000 for 2017/18 and 2018/19 and £15,000 for 2019/20, the amount in these years to be kept under review. |
| Briefing notes documents: | 170313 LPA New Burdens Notification (3).docx |
| Other Options Considered: | Not accepting the grant payments. This would result in the loss of £89,645 to the City Council, and require the extra work to implement a Brownfield Land Register and Permission in Principle to be covered from existing resources. |
| Background Papers: | None |

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| Published Works: | None. |
| Affected Wards: | Citywide |
| Colleague / Councillor Interests: | None. |
| Consultations: | Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision. |
| Crime and Disorder Implications: | None |
| Equality: | EIA not required. Reasons: There are no equality impact implications as a result of this decision. |
| Social Value Considerations: | The Grant will be used to support work in identifying Brownfield sites for development, and for administering the grant of Planning in Principle, which will accelerate the delivery of new housing in Nottingham. If considered appropriate it may involve procuring work from third parties. |
| Decision Type: | Portfolio Holder |
| Subject to Call In: | Yes |
| Call In Expiry date: | 13/06/2017 |
| Advice Sought: | Legal, Finance, Procurement |
| Legal Advice: | The proposals set out in the report raise no significant legal issues and are supported. Advice provided by Malcolm Townroe (Legal Services Manager) on 24/05/2017. |
| Finance Advice: | The grant will be received from DCLG as outlined within the body of this decision over 4 financial years and has been granted specifically for the purpose of supporting the extra workload within the Planning function from the introduction of the Brownfield Land Registers and Permission in Principle. The funding will therefore be used within the Planning function as directed by the Chief Planner. Advice provided by Susan Tytherleigh (Senior Finance Manager) on 08/05/2017. |
| Procurement Advice: | There are no immediate concerns with approving this decision. Should any requirement for external procurement arise during the course of administering the grant, the Procurement Team will advise & assist to ensure this is done in compliance with the Council's Constitution and applicable Regulations. Advice provided by Jonathan Whitmarsh (Lead Procurement Officer) on 05/05/2017. |

Signatures

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| Jane Urquhart (PH for Planning, Housing and Heritage) |
| SIGNED and Dated: 05/06/2017 |
| David Bishop (Deputy CE, CD for Development and Growth) |
| SIGNED and Dated: 02/06/2017 |