



Doncaster Council

EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS - DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on **9th February 2021** by the:-

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Glyn Jones, Cabinet Member for Housing and Equalities

Date notified to all Members: Tuesday, 9th February 2021

End of the call-in period is 5.00 p.m. on Thursday, **18th February 2021**. This decision will not be implemented until after this date and time.

Present: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Glyn Jones - Cabinet Member for Housing and Equalities, Richard J Smith - Head of Sustainability.

Apologies: None

1. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER AND TITLE

Local Authority Delivery Scheme – Phase 1B

2. DECISION TAKEN

- (1) For the Council to accept £495k from the governments Phase 1B of the LAD scheme, working with Barnsley Council.
- (2) For the Council to deliver home energy saving improvements in the homes of Doncaster and Barnsley residents.
- (3) To delegate authority to the Director of Economy and Environment, in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Equalities to agree the terms and conditions of the MOU for LAD Phase 1B.
- (4) For Phase 1B of the LAD scheme to be added to the Council's Capital programme - Economy and Environment (Housing). Doncaster's allocation being £445k.

3. REASONS FOR DECISION

- a) Government notified the Council for a second successful bid for Local Authority Delivery scheme (LAD) funding on the 27th January and have set a deadline of the 19th February for acceptance of the funding offer of £495,000. This does not allow 28 days' notice to be given for the key decision.



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- b) This second successful bid will enable the Council to direct home energy efficiency grants in the most impactful and beneficial way and maximize the outcomes for some of Doncaster's most vulnerable households.
- c) Phase 1B will allow a continuation of delivery from LAD 1A through to Phase 2 which, if successful, would commence in May.
- d) This will be the first of many housing retrofit schemes which helps move the borough towards its net zero carbon emissions objectives.

4. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

Option 1 – Decline the funding offer and only apply for Phase 2

- a) Excluding the Council from this funding opportunity limits the potential for the Council to take its fair share of the LAD and Green Homes Grant scheme for Doncaster residents.
- b) The next available opportunity for funding will be in Phase 2. Phase 2 will allow delivery of the same type of works and qualifying homes from May 2021, with an end date of 31st December, with £300m being available for competitive bids.
- c) Without Phase 1B funding, there would be a period of inactivity between Phase 1A fund concluding and Phase 2 commencing, which has an impact on momentum and a risk to losing the supply chain the Council has worked hard to secure.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None

6. IF EXEMPT, REASON FOR EXEMPTION

n/a

7. RESPECTIVE DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Dan Swaine – Director of Economy and Environment

Signed



Chair/Decision Maker