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Decision Reference No: AWC.002.2024 Acceptance and spend of the CQC Assessment Grant

BOX 1

DIRECTORATE: Adults Wellbeing and **DATE:** 9th February 2024

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Contact Name: Kathryn Anderson-Bratt Tel. No.: 01302 737013

Subject Matter: Acceptance and spend of the CQC Assessment Grant

BOX 2 DECISION TAKEN

To approve the receipt and spend of the CQC Assessment Grant totalling £26,730

BOX 3

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The minister of State for Health and Social Care has issued funding under the CQC Assurance Grant to support Local Authorities in the expenditure incurred by engagement with the new CQC review and assessment. Each local authority has been issued with a flat one off grant amount totalling £26,730.

There are no conditions on the grant and no restrictions on use, therefore, it is proposed that the funding in Doncaster is used to support additional expenditure incurred linked directly to CQC assurance, for example:

- Expenditure from the CQC Inspectors visits including room bookings, refreshments etc
- Expenditure from overtime costs for officers to undertake tasks directly linked to the CQC assurance visits
- Expenditure for payments to support people with lived experience to attend events or interviews directly linked to the CQC assurance

The funding will be recorded as income against an expenditure code where spend can be monitored to ensure if future reporting is required the information is readily available.

BOX 4

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

There will be additional costs incurred as part of the CQC Assessment and therefore no other options have been considered other than to accept the grant to offset relevant areas of spend.

BOX 5

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 gives the Council the power to do anything that individuals may generally do.

Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972 gives the Council the power to do anything (whether or not involving the expenditure, borrowing or lending of money or the acquisition or disposal of any property or rights) which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the discharge of any of its functions.

Any goods and services being procured should be undertaken in accordance with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

Name: E.Robinson_____ Signature: By email Date: 14/03/2024

Signature of Assistant Director of Legal and Democratic Services (or representative)

BOX 6

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

As stated in the body of the report, this is a one-off un-ringfenced grant of £26,730 and will be used to offset AWC additional expenditure incurred in preparation for the new CQC Assessment requirements.

Financial Procedure Rule E.12 states -

E.12 Any external funding received by the Council after the budget for the year has been approved, outside of rule E.9, E.10 and E.11, will be classed as a corporate resource unless otherwise determined by the CFO.

Name: P Williams Signature: _by email_ Date: 06/03/2024

Signature of Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Director of Finance (or representative)

BOX 7		
OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS		
N/A		
Name:	Signature:	Date:

Signature of Assistant Director (or representative)

ANY IMPLICATIONS SENT TO DEPARTMENTS SHOULD GENERALLY BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST 5 WORKING DAYS IN ADVANCE TO ENSURE THESE CAN BE GIVEN THE RELEVANT CONSIDERATION.

BOX8

EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS: (To be completed by the author).

There are no equality implications on acceptance of the grant as the grant will be used to offset direct costs incurred as part of CQC Assessment.

BOX9

RISK IMPLICATIONS: (To be completed by the author)

There are no risks identified to accepting the grant. Should the grant no be accepted then the Council will incur additional expenditure to support CQC Assessment.

BOX 10 CONSULTATION

N/A

BOX 11

INFORMATION NOT FOR PUBLICATION

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, it is in the public's interests for this decision to be published in full, redacting only the signatures.

Name: Gillian Parker Signature _by email_ Date: 20/03/2024

Signature of FOI Lead Officer for service area where ODR originates

BOX 12

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Please confirm if any Background Papers are included with this ODR NO

(If YES please list and submit these with this form)

BOX 13 AUTHORISATION			
Name: Phil Holmes Signature : Date: 26/02/2024_			
Director of Adults Wellbeing and C			
Does this decision require authorisation by the Chief Financial Officer or other Officer			
YES/ NO			
If yes please authorise below:			
Name: Faye Tyas Signature: Date: 14.03.24			
Assistant Director of Finance & Technology & Chief Financial Officer			
Consultation with Relevant Member(s)			
Name: Signature: Date:			
Designation			
Declaration of Interest YES/NO			
Deciaration of interest TES/NO			
If YES please give details below:			

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