



HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S DECISION RECORD

Form 2 - Request for spending approval (including decisions which will reduce income) GREATER THAN £10,000 or greater than £30,000 over three months (For approval below the above amounts use Form 1)

Date of Decision: 20 - 09 - 2020

Officer Making Decision: Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, Chair of the relevant Committee and Chief Solicitor and Monitoring Officer.

Subject / Description & Reason for Decision: This decision was taken due to the cancellation/ postponement of meetings and in accordance with the National guidance/legislation in relation to Covid 19.

Type of Decision: The decision is essential to the Authority's response to the Covid 19 pandemic.

Nature of Delegation Being Exercised: Constitution Reference – CE15 – urgent decisions normally reserved to a Committee.

Any Declared Register of Interest: No

Description of funding request/reduction in income request	<p>The guidance on the use of the additional funding allocated to councils sets out the need to support and protect the most vulnerable people in society. Harbour support some of the most vulnerable in our community.</p> <p>Harbour have had to adapt their approach to their work due to the COVID 19 restrictions. Domestic Abuse support is critical at this point when households are in</p>
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	<p>lockdown and the risks for individuals is increased. Referrals initially decreased however referrals have been increasing and Harbour are working hard to make contact with their clients and also to respond to new referrals. They continue to look for funding opportunities and have recently submitted a bid for Domestic Abuse Safe Accommodation: MHCLG COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund.</p> <p>They have introduced new ways of working through virtual contact but also continue to see individuals face to face as needed. This new way of working has presented additional cost pressures which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Procurement of IT equipment• PPE• Additional staff time to: make additional contacts to understand and mitigate risks/ changing and adapting group work programmes to enable one to one delivery• Additional support worker 30 hours per week• Additional worker in DAPPS team (15 hours per week)
Value (this should be total cost)	£18,753
Period Covered	March 2020 – Sept 2020
Approach adopted by other Tees Valley Council	

Signatures for retained copy only

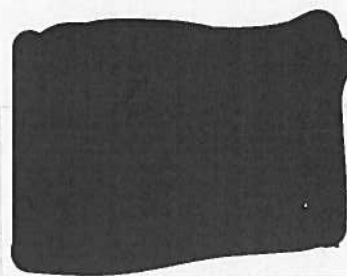
Chief Executive - Gill Alexander



Decision made in consultation with:

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Leader of the Council - Cllr Shane Moore



Chair of [Policy Committee] –



Chief Solicitor and Monitoring Officer – Hayley Martin



Director of Finance and Policy – Chris Little

