



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:

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	The Minister for Local Government and Homelessness wrote to Local Authority Chief Executives on 26 th March 2020 setting out expectations of councils to accommodate homeless people as a matter of urgency. The letter set out a number of actions required which included "it is now imperative that rough sleepers and other vulnerable homeless are supported into appropriate accommodation by the end of the week."
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	<p>In response to this letter the Housing Support Team reviewed all accommodation available. The accommodation is limited therefore options have been reviewed to see what is immediately available.</p> <p>The only accommodation available that is not at full capacity is Melbourne House (Families First NE) has just recently opened (March 2020) however no-one is living there at this time.</p> <p>Request to block Melbourne House for an interim period to ensure we meet government requirements to house all homeless individuals and any individuals who become homeless when COVID 19 restrictions are in place.</p> <p>The total cost of block booking Melbourne House for March until June is £57,613</p>
Value (this should be total cost)	£57,613
Period Covered	27 th March 2020 – 14 th June 2020
Approach adopted by other Tees Valley Council	


Signatures for retained copy only

Chief Executive - Gill Alexander



Decision made in consultation with:

Leader of the Council - Cllr Shane Moore



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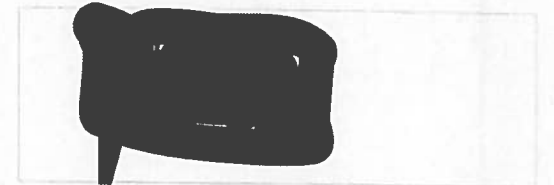
Chair of [Policy Committee] –

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Chief Solicitor and Monitoring Officer – Hayley Martin

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Director of Finance and Policy

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