



URGENT DELEGATED DECISION BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

PRESENT

OFFICERS Chris Gay - Governance Manger

6. COVID 19 LOCAL AUTHORITY DISCRETIONARY BUSINESS GRANT SCHEME
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Purpose The purpose of the report is to seek approval of the Local Authority Discretionary Business Grant Scheme using the Chief Executive's urgency powers under Part 3 of the Constitution (Executive Functions).

Reason For Decision 1. On 2nd May the Government announced additional funding to support small businesses that fell outside of the criteria of the Small Business Grant and Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant funding announced in March. As well as meeting some core eligibility criteria set by Government, local authorities are expected to set out eligibility criteria based on the needs of their local economy.

Decision That the Chief Executive exercise his urgency powers under Part 3 of the Constitution (Executive Functions):

- a) Approves the eligibility criteria and grant rates set out in Appendix 1 of the report
- b) To delegate authority to the Strategic Head of Economy and Growth and the Head of Finance and Property to approve grant applications.

The decision is an urgent key decision, and in order to implement the scheme from 21st May 2020 is not subject to call-in, as agreed by the Chair of Scrutiny, in accordance with Part 4.5 of the constitution.

Decision made by: Chief Executive

Date: 21st May 2020

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