INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION RECORD SHEET IMD /IMD 2017/13

Title of the report	Discretionary Housing Payments Policy	

DECISION MADE BY Executive - Individual Member Decisions

Executive Member for Finance, 21st Century Council, Internal

Services and Human Resources - Oliver Whittle

ACTION BY Graham Ebers

DECISION MADE ON 03 August 2017

Recommendation contained in the report

Purpose: To ensure DHPs are awarded to applicants in line with our corporate policy and guidelines.

Decision

That the Executive Member for Finance

1) Approve the draft Policy amendments to be implemented from 3 August 2017.

Reasons for Decision if different to recommendation $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}$

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision N/A

Summary of consultations undertaken

SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES		
Director - Business Services	No major changes to policy that required consultation. Changes include updating of financial years, finances/funding Director and Head of Service have reviewed policy changes and had the opportunity to comment on.	
Monitoring Officer	Made aware but no specific comments	
Leader of the Council	Made aware but no comments received	

Reasons why the report was deemed to have contained confidential or Exempt information (if applicable)

N/A

Following the late notification of increased government funding allocation, it was felt that further discussion is required to ensure the policy takes account of this, whilst supporting those residents most in need

Deferred from 28 April 2017 to allow for further consultation

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member who is consulted by a Member which relates to the decision

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

Background papers

DWP Guidance Housing Benefit Circular S3 2017 S3-2017 Govt contribution

PUBLISHED ON: 3 August 2017

EFFECTIVE ON: 12 August 2017

CALL-IN PERIOD EXPIRES: 11 August 2017