Decision under Delegated Powers

Officer Requesting Decision

Neighbourhoods and Partnerships Manager

Officer Making The Decision

Head of Neighbourhood Services

Recommendations

To provide continued financial support as required to those agencies / organisations that are supporting the Council to provide food for those in financial hardship as part of the Covid-19 response and recovery plan.

Reasons

To ensure there is financial support in place to provide food to those facing financial hardship.

Authority for the Decision

Heads of Service have delegated authority to submit bids for and enter into agreements for grants and other funding sources up to a value of £200,000 and to incur expenditure within the Council's approved capital/revenue budget in accordance with approved rules and procedures. (section 8.3 of the Constitution).

Decision and Date

Antie Robinson

8.4.2021

Background

As part of the Borough Council's submission to LCC for Contain Outbreak Management funding a sum of £50,000 was allocated to support those agencies / organisations that were assisting the Council to provide food for those in financial hardship as part of the response to Covid-19 and as part of the recovery phase. This would also include emergency support to CEV residents and those that have specific dietary requirements and were also needing to self isolate. This would include the

continuation of support being provided through Charnwood Community Action Hub and through the work of the Charnwood Food Poverty Group.

It is anticipated that this funding will be ultised for a number of purposes including :

- Provision of hot food to those in emergency homeless accommodation, along with the provision of food parcels
- Daily food parcels to those of NFA and in temporary accomodation
- Fareshare Membership costs associated with the provision of a regular supply of fresh food and store cupboard staples to food bank providers
- Provision of top up food and other essential supplies as required
- Food supply for the community shop to enable transition to a sustainable model
- Provision of food parcels to those CEV individuals / families as identified or those self isolating

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications for the Council. Charnwood will receive £50,000 as part of the LCC Contain Outbreak Management Funding allocation. This amount will be paid to the Council and was identified as part of the Council's allocation of the Contain funding submitted to LCC for sign off. All sums agreed to be paid will be coded to X464 T0100 BG502.

Risk Management

Risk Identified	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Management Actions Planned
Failure to receive the funding to allocate for the agreed purpose	Low	Low	Ensure funding process is completed and funding is received. Confirmation has been received from LCC

Key Decision:

No

Background Papers:

LCC Contain Funding Spreadsheet