

Appendix 2 - Central Government COVID-19 Funding Announcements

1. COVID-19 grants totalling £470.135m have been received by the Council for financial year 2020/21, these grants are listed in the second table below. The vast majority (£341.643m) relate to support for local businesses. Note only the confirmed emergency funding of £64.8m and £12.4m forecast for Sales Fees and charges losses are available to support the direct additional costs and income shortfalls faced by the Council. The remaining grants are either directly passed on to businesses or residents or earmarked for specific priorities such as test and trace.
2. Grants totalling £30.044m will be carried forward to support COVID-19 related spend in future years, in line with grant conditions. These are shown in the table below.

	Received	Spent in 2020/21	Carried Forward
	£000	£000	£000
Contain Outbreak Management Fund	15,226	340	14,886
Test and trace service Public Health	4,837	1,420	3,417
LA Practical Support Framework	185	0	185
Community Champions Fund	621	100	521
National Leisure Recovery Fund	1,421	493	928
Clinically extremely vulnerable	1,889	321	1,568
Test and Trace Support Payments (Self-Isolation Support)	1,839	1,014	825
Additional Restriction Grant (business support)	16,609	8,895	7,714
Total	42,627	12,583	30,044

3. The COVID-19 grants and associated spend are now reflected in the revised budget shown in table one. Since the last monitoring report to Executive on 17 February there have been further government grant allocations to be reflected in the budget as follows:
 - **Adult Social Care - Local Authority Community Testing Grant - £1.132m.** This grant is to enable local authorities with high prevalence of COVID-19 to work in partnership with the UK government to accelerate a reduction in prevalence by identifying asymptomatic cases through local testing and supporting them to isolate.
 - **Operation Eagle - South of City - £102k.** This is for surge testing following identification of a specific variant of Covid 19.
 - **Neighbourhood Services - National Leisure Recovery Fund - £1.421m.** This is funded by Sport England for local authorities who have outsourced the leisure function.
 - **LA Framework / Practical Support for those Self-Isolating - March Instalment - £185k** - This funding stream is ringfenced for public health purposes to tackle COVID – 19 working to break the chains of

transmission and protecting people.

- **LRSB Closed Add Jan (16 Feb -31 March) - £17.579m** - To provide support to Manchester businesses that closed during lockdown.

4. There have also been updates and additional funds relating to grants previously announced as follows:

- **Children’s Services - Easter Hardship Fund / Winter Extension Grant - £0.897m** - The grants are primarily for helping families buy essentials, with at least 80% of funds ring-fenced to be spent on food, energy and water bills, with 20% available for other associated essential costs. Councils can also offer support to vulnerable individuals and households without children. This brings the total grant receipt to £3.478m
- **Work and Skills and MAES - Clinically extremely vulnerable support December 2020 – March 2021 - £1.337m –** This is being used to provide support, such as access to food deliveries and signposting to local support services, to the most at risk and enable them to stay at home as much as possible over this period. Note, this is in addition to the £0.552m previously awarded, bringing the total to £1.889m.
- **Revenues and Benefits - Test and Trace Support Payment - £1.159m -** New burdens funding provided by government for the Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme, which awards £500 to individuals who are told to self-isolate by the NHS Test and Trace or the COVID-19 App, are employed or self-employed, unable to work from home, losing income as a result and in receipt of one of the seven qualifying benefits. Note, this is in addition to the £680k previously awarded, bringing the total to £1.839m.
- **Neighbourhood Services - Contain Outbreak Management Fund - £5.054m** The Department of Health and Social Care announced this grant to fund activities such as enforcement, compliance and contact tracing. The COVID-19 Winter Plan was published 23 November, this included an extension to the Contain Outbreak Management Fund to recognise the ongoing public health and outbreak management costs to Local Authorities of tackling COVID-19. This is in addition to the £10.172m previously awarded giving a total COMF grant of £15.226m.

Funding	Memo: Budget treatment			
	Manchester Allocation	Specific Directorate Budget Increase £000	Emergency Funding	Transfer payment *
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Grants announced since last Executive report:				
Local Authority Community testing	1,132	1,132		
Operation Eagle – South of City	102	102		
Neighbourhood Services - National Leisure Recovery Fund	1,421	1,421		

LA Framework / Practical Support for those Self-Isolating - March Instalment	185	185		
LRSO Closed Add Jan (16 Feb -31 March)	17,579			17,579
Grants increased since last Executive report:				
Children's Services - Easter Hardship Fund / Winter Extension Grant	897	897		
Work and Skills and MAES - Clinically extremely vulnerable support December 2020 – March 2021	1,337	1,337		
Revenues and Benefits - Test and Trace Support Payment	1,159	1,159		
Contain Outbreak Management Fund - 27th Jan - 31st March and 2021/22	5,054	5,054		
Grants Approved in previous Executive reports:				
Cross Cutting				
Sales, fees and charges grant claim	12,422	-	12,422	
COVID-19 Emergency Funding for Local Government - (£1.6bn nationally) - first tranche**	18,200		18,200	
COVID-19 Emergency Funding for Local Government - (£1.6bn nationally) - second tranche	15,167	-	15,167	
COVID-19 Emergency Funding for Local Government - (£0.5m nationally) - third tranche	7,085	-	7,085	
COVID-19 Emergency Funding for Local Government - (£0.9bn nationally) - fourth tranche	24,330	-	24,330	-
Social Care / Testing:				
Workforce Capacity Fund	1,177	1,177		
Support increased rapid testing in care homes	816	816		
Test and trace service (£300m nationally)	4,837	4,837	-	-
Infection Control Round 2 (£546m nationally)	2,964	2,964	-	-
Care Home Infection Control Fund Round 1 (£600m nationally)	3,184	3,184	-	-

Neighbourhoods:				
Neighbourhood Services - Cultural recovery	882	882		
Neighbourhood Services - Community Champions Fund	621	621		
Neighbourhood Services - Contain Outbreak Management Fund**	10,172	10,172		
Local Authority Compliance and Enforcement Grant	453	453	-	-
Growth and Development:				
Local Welfare Assistance Fund	957	957	-	-
Clinically Extremely Vulnerable individuals advised to shield	552	552		
Childrens:				
Winter Grant Scheme	2,581	2,581	-	-
Homelessness:				
Next Step Accommodation Grant, cold weather provision and landlord incentive funding	2,000	2,000	-	-
Emergency Support for Rough Sleepers	68	68	-	-
Corporate Core:				
Test and Trace Support Payment	680	680	-	-
Council Tax Hardship Fund	7,458	623	-	6,835
Reopening High Streets Safely Fund	203	203	-	-
Local Authority Business Rates Grant Administration (New Burden)	225	225	-	-
Administering Business Rates Relief (New Burden)	12	12		
Council Tax Hardship New Burdens	58	58		
Local Auth Disc Grant Fund New Burdens	101	101		
Support for Businesses:				
Expanded Retail Discount 2020/21 (excludes 1% for Fire Authorities)	138,477	-	-	138,477
Revenues and Benefits - Small Business Grant Fund and Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund	105,870	-		105,870
Local Authority Discretionary Grants Fund	5,432	5,432		
Local Restriction Support	7,665	-	-	7,665

Grant (open)				
Local Restriction Support Grant (closed)	427	-	-	427
Local Restriction Support Grant (sector)	-	-	-	
Local Restriction Support Grant (closed addendum) - National Lockdown	7,054	-	-	7,054
LRSB Closed Add Jan	16,780	-	-	16,780
Closed Business Lockdown Pay	21,077	-	-	21,077
£1k to pubs in tier 3	245	-	-	245
Local Restriction Support Grant (open) Version 2	199		-	199
Local Restriction Support Grant (closed) Version 2		-	-	
Local Restriction Support Grant (closed addendum) - Tier 4	4,229		-	4,229
Additional Restrictions Grant (£60m allocated to Greater Manchester)	16,609	16,609	-	-
Total grants	470,135	66,494	77,204	326,437

* The Council is acting as agent to administer the government scheme for grants to businesses. As the Council is acting as agent these payments will be netted off the grant received and will not be shown gross in the budget.

** Manchester allocation for Tranche 1 Emergency Funding was £18.589m, of which £389k was applied in 2019/20 with the balance supporting 2020/21.