

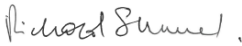
Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference

E3274

Welfare Support Scheme 2021/22

Decision maker/s	Cllr Richard Samuel, Cabinet Member for Resources
The Issue	An update of the council's Local Welfare Provision policy with guidance on how funds will be prioritised in 2021/22
Decision Date	Not before 29 th April 2021
The decision	The Cabinet Member agrees to approve the revisions to the policy document and details set out in the appendix to the policy which set out how additional funding for 2021/22 should be used.
Rationale for decision	The policy changes will align the council's offer of support to resident's current needs, it will allow the council to provide support in new areas, enable more choice and convenience for residents and allow for digital service delivery. It will also enable to council to act quickly to support residents in the event of further lockdowns or emergency situations.
Financial and budget implications	Applications for support and access to the additional £400,000 funding will be managed through existing resources within the Welfare Support team. Temporary staff may be employed during 2021/22 if required to manage additional demand.
Issues considered	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Young People; Equality; Corporate; Health & Safety; Impact on Staff.
Consultation undertaken	Cabinet colleagues; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Service Users; Stakeholders/Partners; Other Public Sector Bodies; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer
How consultation was carried out	By email, telephone and Video call
Other options considered	None
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:	None
Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	None

Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s	
Date of Signature	11 th May 2021
Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision	