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Dear Councillor

GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE – (GE03 20) ROUGH SLEEPING CAPITAL BID FUNDING

Please find attached a General Exception Notice concerning a decision to be taken by Cabinet at its meeting to be held on 7 December in relation to the acceptance of a grant from the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government to assist with rough sleeping services.

This is a Key Decision which was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions. However, the decision may still be taken provided 5 clear days have elapsed between publishing the General Exception Notice and informing the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and the decision being taken.

Members of the public who require further information are asked to contact Kate Batty-Smith on 01304 872303 or by e-mail at democraticservices@dover.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Batty-Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a short horizontal line.

Democratic Services Officer

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DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT SECTION ONLY	
Decision No:	<u>GE03</u>
Publication Date:	<u>25/11/20</u>

General Exception

Pursuant to the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice of Key Decision

A: Decision to be taken and by whom

Rough Sleeping Capital Bid Funding

Cabinet on 7 December 2020

This is a Key Decision which has not been included within the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions, but which must be taken by such a date that it is impracticable to defer the decision until 28 days after the next Notice is published.

B: Reasons why this Key Decision was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions and why it would not be practicable to defer the decision

This Key Decision was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions because the notification that Dover District Council had been successful in its bid to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) for capital funding was embargoed. This embargo has now been lifted.

The timescale for spending the allocated funds is very short, and if the decision is deferred until the January Cabinet meeting there is a risk that there will be an underspend which would have to be returned to the MHCLG.

C: List of documents submitted to the decision-maker

Cabinet-style report.

D: Part of the Constitution authorising the decision

Rule 15 (General Exception Procedure) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (Part 4 – Rules of Procedure).

- Notice must be given in the first instance to the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee
- The General Exception procedure allows a Key Decision which has been omitted from the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions to be taken, provided 5 clear days has elapsed between informing the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee and making a copy of this notice available to the public (on the website and displayed in the Council Chamber lobby), and the decision being taken.

- Subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure, copies of, or extracts from, documents submitted to the decision-maker in relation to the decision may be requested from the address given below. In addition, the public may submit other documents relevant to the decision to the same address.

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