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<p>(1) Topic (one sentence description of the decision being sought)</p> <p>(2) Who will take decision</p> <p>(3) Give date or period within which decision is to be taken</p> <p>(4) Directorate contact (include e-mail and telephone)</p>	<p>(5) Principal Groups/Organisations to be consulted before decision is made</p> <p>(6) Method of consultation (external only [if applicable])</p>	<p>(7) Name of person(s) to whom representations can be made (e-mail/telephone)</p> <p>(8) When should they be made by (closing date)</p>	<p>(9) List background documents submitted to Cabinet/Cabinet Member in respect of the decision</p> <p>(10) Is this information unrestricted or exempt?</p> <p>(11) Date first entered in Notice</p>
<p>KEY 29/22/23</p> <p>(1) Home Upgrade Grant 2 (HUG2) – To approve the spending of HUG2 funding (if approved) and to delegate authority to the Strategic Director (Place and Environment) to take decisions during the HUG2 scheme</p> <p>(2) Cabinet</p> <p>(3) 5 December 2022</p> <p>(4) Amanda Martin, Principal Climate Change & Sustainability Officer - amanda.martin@dover.gov.uk; 01304 872128</p>	<p>(5) None.</p> <p>(6) Not applicable.</p>	<p>(7) Amanda Martin - Amanda.martin@dover.gov.uk; 01304 872128</p> <p>(8) 29 November 2022</p>	<p>(9) Cabinet report</p> <p>(10) Unrestricted</p> <p>(11) 1 November 2022</p>

Brief Details of Item:

(Please provide information about the contents of this item and the reason for decision.)

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) published details about the Home Upgrade Grant 2 (HUG2) scheme on 29 September 2022. The funding stream is aimed at improving the energy efficiency of rural homes without gas and facilitating the installation of renewable heat technologies in fuel-poor households. £700 million of funding is available for local authorities (LAs) in England and capital funding will be available from 2023 until 2025. The first stage of the scheme is for LAs to submit an outline application, the first assessment round deadline being 18 November 2022.

In order to ensure that DDC does not miss this funding opportunity a two-stage decision process is being undertaken:

- The Strategic Director (Finance & Housing) authorises the submission of a consortia-based Outline Application (using powers set out in the Constitution). The Outline Application proposes the upgrade of 100 homes (50 in each Council area).
- Cabinet notes that the application for funding has been made, approves the spending of funds (if granted by BEIS in principle) and authorises the Strategic Director (Place & Environment) to negotiate with Dartford Borough Council (the lead authority) with a view to formalising arrangements between the two authorities.

Deadline for Item:

(Please indicate the date and whether this is statutory, operational or to meet the requirements of another agency.)

With rising inflation and energy price hikes it is beneficial that this agreement is made as soon as possible.