

Decision Notice

Delegated Decision

Decision No:	DD13
Subject:	ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING AWARDED FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING FUND - ROUND 2
Notification Date:	11 July 2023
Implementation Date:	12 July 2023
Decision taken by:	Mike Davis, Strategic Director (Finance and Housing)
Delegated Authority:	Delegation C79 to the Section 151 Officer of the Scheme of Officer Delegations (Section 6 of Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) of the Constitution): 'To make application for and to accept grants or other assistance on behalf of the Council.'
Decision Type:	Executive Key Decision
Call-In to Apply?	No (<i>The Chairman of the Council has agreed to suspend call-in for the reasons set out in paragraph 1.2 below</i>)
Classification:	Unrestricted

Reason for the Decision: To enter into an agreement with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to accept capital grant funding via the Local Authority Housing Fund - Round 2 in order to facilitate the acquisition of six properties: three for affordable rent for refugees moving from Bridging Hotels and three for social rent general needs interim accommodation.

Decision: To accept grant funding totalling £840,000 from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities via the Local Authority Housing Fund - Round 2.

1. **Consideration and Alternatives**

1.1 See attached report.

1.2 The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities requires that the funding is accepted, and a Memorandum of Understanding entered into within the next two weeks. If this is not achieved, the funding could be lost. Call-in, if exercised, could delay this process, and Councillor Gordon Cowan, the Chairman of the Council, has therefore agreed to suspend call-in.

2. **Any Conflicts of Interest Declared?**

2.1 None.

3. **Supporting Information**

3.1 See attached report.