

CHRISTMAS SUPPORT PAYMENT FOR WET-LED PUBS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In response to the Coronavirus, COVID-19, the government announced the Christmas Support Scheme to provide additional support over the festive period to wet-led pubs in areas under Tier 2 or 3 restrictions.
- 1.2 Under this scheme a one-off payment of £1,000 will be granted to all eligible businesses.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Government have recognised the impact the resections are having and are providing additional support to pubs and bars with a one-off payment of £1,000 for the period 2 December 2020 to 29 December 2020. The business has to be a rate payer to be eligible.
- 2.2 Government guidance defines a wet-led pub where the pub derives less than 50% of its income from sales of food. The premises must also be open to the public, allow free entry, allow drinking without requiring food to be consumed, and permit drinks to be purchased at a bar.
- 2.3 Businesses that are n receipt of other Local Restrictions Support, for example Local Restrictions Grants (Open) or Additional Restrictions Grant, can also receive this grant payment.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are no financial implications to the Council as the grant awarded is fully funded by Central Government.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL, CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no environmental, crime or disorder implications.

5. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The are no equality and diversity implications.

6. RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 That the Christmas Support Payment policy be approved.

7. PORTFOLIO HOLDER ENDORSEMENT

7.1 I have agreed to the recommendation of this report.

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Background Papers

Christmas Support Payment
for wet-led pubs policy

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