

## Notice of the Making of an Urgent Decision

Para 1 of the second sub-section of section 3 in Part 3 of Chichester District Council's *Constitution* provides for any senior officer to make urgent decisions following consultation with the Leader or Deputy Leader of the Council and the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on any matters where it is not practicable to refer these to a meeting of the Council, the Cabinet or other committee provided that a full report on any decisions taken shall subsequently be made. A decision of this nature has been made as set out below:

Decision title	Reopening High Streets Safely Fund
Decision taker	Tania Murphy
Decision consultees	Eileen Lintill – Leader Adrian Moss - Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Decision date	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Decision details	<p>That in the absence of a Cabinet and Full Council meeting the following be approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Chichester District Council signs the grant funding agreement with HM Government's European Regional Development Fund, which enables CDC to reclaim up to £108,000 grant in relation to Reopening High Streets Safely.</li> <li>2. The fund is required to be spent on projects and schemes to assist with the safe reopening of high streets at this current time, and the authority's action plan for projects and schemes relating to this expenditure was agreed with HM Government in November 2020. Whilst there is some local discretion in relation to the type of projects which can be funded, the criteria as set out by the ERDF must be met. The action plan is closely monitored and reported on.</li> </ol> <p>These decisions will assist the continuation of expenditure on actions and schemes to assist with the safe reopening of high streets at this time, and will enable reclaim of expenditure. The grant funding agreement as provided is in line with those provided to local authorities on a national basis.</p>
Reason for urgency	Coronavirus pandemic.
Name and date of the meeting to receive a full report	To be noted at the next Cabinet and Council meetings.

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6<sup>th</sup> January 2021