
Response to Council Motion on Short Breaks Funding

Committee considering report:	Executive on 22 December 2016 Council on 2 March 2017
Portfolio Member:	Councillor Anthony Chadley
Date Portfolio Member agreed report:	13 December 2016
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1. Purpose of the Report

To respond to the Motion to Council proposed by Councillor Lee Dillon, *“That this Council agrees to award transitional funding to the Short Breaks programme for the 2017/18 financial year to the value of £170,000.*

This will ensure that voluntary organisations have a longer term period to consider their strategy to combat the reduction of Council funding in the longer term and for this Council to consider other ways to secure the provision of or fund short breaks”.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the use of any Transitional Funding in 2017/18 will be announced as part of the Budget proposal at Council on 2 March 2017.

3. Implications

- 3.1 **Financial:** Transitional grant funding of £1.37m for 2017/18 was announced by Government on 8 February 2016. This is subject to confirmation in the Local Government Settlement which is due to be announced in December 2016.
- 3.2 **Policy:** N/A
- 3.3 **Personnel:** N/A
- 3.4 **Legal:** N/A
- 3.5 **Risk Management:** N/A
- 3.6 **Property:** N/A
- 3.7 **Other:** N/A

4. Other options considered

- 4.1 None

5. Executive Summary

- 5.1 Councillor Lee Dillon has proposed a Motion to Council “*That this Council agrees to award transitional funding to the Short Breaks programme for the 2017/18 financial year to the value of £170,000.*”

This will ensure that voluntary organisations have a longer term period to consider their strategy to combat the reduction of Council funding in the longer term and for this Council to consider other ways to secure the provision of or fund short breaks”.

- 5.2 The Motion has been noted.

- 5.3 Transitional Funding of £1.37m was announced by Government in February 2016 and will be confirmed as part of the Local Government Settlement to be announced in December 2016. The use of any Transitional Funding will be announced as part of the Budget proposal at Council on 2 March 2017. We are currently consulting on budget proposals, and recognise that the public should have their say before decisions are made.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The use of any Transitional Funding in 2017/18 will be announced as part of the Budget proposal at Council on 2 March 2017.

7. Appendices

- 7.1 None