DECISION-MAKER:		COUNCIL			
SUBJECT:		USE OF URGENCY DELEGATED DECISION TO ACCEPT SUPPLIMENTAL SUBSTANCE MISUSE TREATMENT AND RECOVERY FUNDING 2022-2025			
DATE OF DECISION:		20 TH JULY 2022			
REPORT OF:		COUNCILLOR FIELKER CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH, ADULTS AND LEISURE			
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

N/A

BRIEF SUMMARY

This report details the Officer Delegated Decisions taken under the urgency procedure rules - to accept funding of £3,797,091 over 3 years (subject to annual approval by HM Treasury) for Supplemental Substance Misuse Treatment and Recovery (SSMTR) funding via the Office of Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(i)	To note the Officer Delegated Decisions taken under urgency powers.
(ii)	To delegate authority to the Director of Public Health to take relevant actions including entering into and finalising the terms of relevant contracts or other legal agreements to implement the decision.
(iii)	To delegate authority to the Director of Public Health, after consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health and the Executive Director of Finance and Commercialisation, to accept and deploy further funding from OHID towards substance use disorder services associated with the 10-year national drug strategy.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To use the urgency power within the Officer Scheme of Delegation to accept the funds and allow the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the allocation of the grant to be returned to OHID by 30th June 2022 i.e., before the next Council meeting.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. To refuse to receive the grant. The risk to health makes clear the need for this investment and provides strong support to continue to tackle the impact of substance use disorders by improving the scale and quality of services. This option has not been considered.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

- 3. The city has been awarded £3,797,091 over 3 years (subject to annual approval by HM Treasury) for SSMTR funding via OHID. This provides 'enhanced' funding to reduce harm and improve treatment quality, expand capacity, and improve recovery rates to directly address the aims of the new national Drug Strategy 2021.
- 4. Planning for the SSMTR took place within the context of the local Tobacco, Alcohol and Drug Strategy (TAD) Consultation. The local SSMTR plan was built around the "Menu of Interventions" which was defined by OHID, consultation on the local plan was undertaken with a wide range of stakeholders including:
 - Directorate Management Team (DMT)
 - Health and Well-being Board
 - Cabinet Portfolio Holder Engagement
 - Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)
 - Criminal Justice agencies
 - Adult and Children's Social Care
 - Local health partners
- 5. The award represents 3-year funding (subject to annual approval by HM Treasury) as the first element of a 10-year national strategy, the future funding limitations have been considered in the development of the local plan, with consideration of a clear exit strategy in place should further national funding not be available.
- 6. The local plan for the use of the SSMTR Grant signed-off by Director of Public Health on behalf of the local partnership was submitted on 31st May 2022 and agreed by OHID on 8th June 2022.
- 7. Following consultation with the Cabinet Member, and Executive Director of Finance and Commercialisation urgency powers within the Scheme of Delegation have been used to accept the fund to allow the MOU for the allocation of the grant to be returned to OHID by 30th June 2022. The tight deadlines for submission of local plans, notification of the award, and return of the MOU has been driven by OHID.
- 8. The money will be received by the council in tranches, the first of which is due July 2022. The funding is dependent on maintaining existing 2020/21 investment in drug and alcohol treatment and increase access and outcomes from the Public Health Grant, there is no requirement for match funding.
- 9. Limitations of resources (workforce) in Southampton may impact the delivery of the increased level of investment. To mitigate this risk robust recruitment monitoring will be in place across the programme, with opportunities to bring forward delivery plans from year 2 and 3 to be identified during the course of the grant period.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

8.	None				
Pro	Property/Other				
9.	None				
LEG	LEGAL IMPLICATIONS				
Stat	tutory power to undertake proposals in the report:				
10.	Health and Care Act 2012 setting out Local Authorities' statutory responsibilities for public health				
<u>Oth</u>	Other Legal Implications:				
11.	None				
RIS	RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS				
12.	Potential resource (workforce) challenge may impact implementation timescales and the ability to spend the full funding value with the high level of dependency on providers successfully recruiting to new roles.				
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS					
13.	None				

KEY DE	CISION?	No		
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:			All	
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION				
Appendices				
1.	None.			

Documents In Members' Rooms

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1.	None.				
Equality	Equality Impact Assessment				
	Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out.				
Data Pr	Data Protection Impact Assessment				
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Other Background Documents Other Background documents available for inspection at:					
Title of Background Paper(s) Relevant Paragraph of the Access Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document be Exempt/Confidential (if applica			ules / ocument to		
1.	Southampton SSMTR planning template				
2.					