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Date: 13 February 2020

Dear Leigh,

Re: S31 Demand Led Grant Determination Letter for Devolution of the Adult Education Budget – Implementation Funding for the period April 2019 to July 2020 (DfE reference number: GR1000410 and MHCLG reference number: 31/3927)

This Determination is made between:

- (1) The Secretary of State for Education and
- (2) North of Tyne Combined Authority

I am pleased to be writing to you to confirm the details of the Government's offer to North of Tyne Combined Authority in relation to the provision of Implementation Funding for the period 1 April 2019 to 31 July 2020 to support preparation for the devolution of the Adult Education Budget.

We will provide this demand led grant under a Section 31 non-ring fenced transfer (Local Government Act 2003). We will match the level of funding expended by North of Tyne Combined Authority in preparation for devolution of the Adult Education Budget for activities such as those described in the North of Tyne Combined Authority business case submitted to the Department of Education, once you have incurred and evidenced these expenses, up to a maximum of £538,031.

The Senior Responsible Owner for this Grant, Dominic Hastings, will require your responsible officer to confirm that the funding has been properly expended (see arrangements for keeping in touch with the Department for Education below).

Purpose of the grant

The Department will provide a maximum of £538,031 to support costs associated with implementation of the devolution of the Adult Education Budget, in line with the North of Tyne Combined Authority business case.

Payment arrangements

Payment will be made in three instalments – January 2020 (or as otherwise agreed) for the period 1 April 2019 to 30 September, April 2020 for the period 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020 and August 2020, for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 July 2020.

Arrangements for keeping in touch with the Department for Education

The Department for Education has an associated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in place and asks the North of Tyne Combined Authority to complete a 'use of funds' declaration form, confirming the grant received and spent was used wholly for the purposes for which it was given. The declaration form will be issued by the Department for Education prior to each payment instalment as noted above and should be signed by the Combined Authority's Accounting Officer.

The Department for Education would also be happy to receive any information about effective practice.

This letter has been copied to the Chief Finance Officer of North of Tyne Combined Authority.

Enquiries

For all enquiries please contact Adult.SkillsDevolution@education.gov.uk

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Education,

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Dominic Hastings

Deputy Director
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DEVOLUTION OF THE ADULT EDUCATION BUDGET: IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING - GRANT DETERMINATION APRIL 2019 TO JULY 2020 [DfE Reference Number: GR1000410 and MHCLG Reference Number: 31/3927]

The Minister of State for Education (“the Minister of State”), in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, makes the following determination:

Citation

1) This determination may be cited as the Devolution of the Adult Education Budget: Implementation Funding Grant Determination 1 April 2019 to July 31 2020 [31/3927]

Purpose of the grant

2) The purpose of the grant is to provide support to local authorities in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

Determination

3) The Minister of State determines the authority to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid. The authority and the amount is set out in Annex A.

Treasury consent

4) Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Minister of State obtained the consent of the Treasury.

Signed by authority of the Minister of State for Education

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ANNEX A

MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING AVAILABLE BY FINANCIAL YEARS

| Financial Years | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | Total |
|---|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| North of Tyne Combined Authority | £407,912 | £130,119 ^(A) | £538,031 |

Note:

- A. The £130,119 amount sits outside the Government's current Spending Review period and cannot be fully guaranteed.