

To all local authorities in England

October 2018

To Whom It May Concern

Re: S31 Grant Determination Letter for Children's Social Care Innovation Programme Grant GR1000335.

This Determination is made between:

- (1) **The Secretary of State for Education** and
- (2) **The local authorities listed at Annex A**

Purpose of the Grant

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

This grant is intended to support the projects these local authorities have requested to undertake in children's social care relating to the Partners in Practice programme and the Innovation Programme.

The Partners in Practice programme is about genuine partnership between local and national government to understand, capture and spread excellence. The three key aims of the programme are to:

- 1) demonstrate what works and drive innovation, building understanding of the conditions needed for excellent practice to flourish;
- 2) drive sector led improvement by injecting capacity into the sector to support authorities at risk of failure; and
- 3) support the Department on wider programmes and reforms by helping to shape policy.

Launched in 2013, the Children's Social Care (CSC) Innovation Programme (IP) has invested c£200m in 98 projects across three funding rounds (2014-2020), enabling Local Authorities to develop, test and scale new approaches to supporting vulnerable children in the social care system.

The programme is committed to sharing learning in real-time: responding to the sector's demand to understand what works. This is delivered through the development of high-quality learning materials and targeted learning activities across the country.

Annex A provides details of payments being made to local authorities involved in the Partners in Practice and Innovation Programme where funding was agreed by 16 October 2018.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State.

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Graham Archer,
Director
Department for Education

Partners in Practice GRANT DETERMINATION [2017-18]: No. 31/3451.

The Secretary of State for Education (“the Secretary 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 Innovation Programme Grant Determination [2018-19] 31/3451.

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 Secretary of State determines the authorities to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid; these are set out in Annex A.

Treasury consent

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

Payment arrangements

5) The total grant to be paid to each authority is set out at Annex A. The grant will be paid in one instalment in October 2018 and will be for the sum attributed to the 2018-19 financial year.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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Graham Archer
Director
Department for Education

Annex A

English Local Authorities	18/19
Bristol City Council	£360,365
London Borough of Camden	£322,225
Coventry City Council	£254,863
London Borough of Croydon	£172,589
London Borough of Ealing	£1,088,082
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	£100,000
Essex County Council	£855,634
London Borough of Hackney	£110,822
London Borough of Havering	£227,750
London Borough of Lewisham	£230,875
North East Lincolnshire Council	£245,000
North Tyneside Metropolitan Borough Council	£221,500
North Yorkshire County Council	£473,400
Portsmouth City Council	£119,000
Sheffield City Council	£79,000
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council	£632,285
South Tyneside Council	£100,000
London Borough of Southwark	£96,613
Suffolk County Council	£175,000
Warwickshire County Council	£806,348
TOTAL	£6,671,621