

12 July 2024

Dear Local Authority

**Re: S31 Grant Determination Letter for Family Hubs Transformation Fund – Revenue (2024-25) No 31/7355 and Con\_17324**

This Determination is made between:

(1) **The Secretary of State for Education** and

(2) **The local authorities listed in Annex A**

This letter sets out the requirements for the Family Hubs Transformation Fund. In particular, the purpose and aims of the fund, grant allocations, and payment arrangements.

We are issuing this revenue grant as a non-ringfenced grant under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003.

The total funding for this project is £12m over the financial years (FY) 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25. It will be paid to 12 local authorities in instalments over the duration of the programme.

Total project funding:

	<b>FY 22-23</b>	<b>FY 23-24</b>	<b>FY 24-25</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	£4,000,000	£5,250,000	£750,000	£10,000,000
<b>Capital</b>	£665,130	£1,334,870	£0	£2,000,000

This letter relates to revenue funding in the FY 2024-25, which will be issued to eligible local authorities in one instalment.

**Purpose of the Grant**

Family hubs are a way of joining up locally to 1) improve access to services; 2) improve the connections between families, professionals, services, and providers; and 3) put relationships at the heart of family support. They provide a public-facing, universal, non-stigmatising gateway that navigates families to the services that they need.

The aims of the Family Hubs Transformation Fund are:

- To transform the service delivery model in at least 12 local authorities to family hubs – to improve outcomes for families in those local areas.
- To develop and test implementation of a family hubs model within a set of

expected characteristics – to develop the evidence base for the future.

- To support the Government's policy objectives.

The Grant is intended to support your local authority to move to a family hubs model of service delivery, to learn about the process of local transformation, and to create valuable resources and learning about the process of local transformation.

This is a 'one off' grant and any further or additional costs needed within or beyond the lifetime of the grant will need to be funded by local authorities.

### **Expectations for delivery**

Each local authority listed at Annex A has agreed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department for Education. This includes a delivery plan that is specific to their local area.

Local authorities were selected for funding based on their close alignment with the Family Hubs Model Framework. The Department encourages local authorities to continue to align with this document, and any future iterations, as closely as possible. Local authorities should also aim to align with the expectations set out in the Family Hubs Service Expectations where possible to ensure families across England receive a consistent offer.

### **Monitoring and reporting arrangements**

A key objective of this fund is to learn about the process of local transformation, and to create valuable resources and learning for local authorities developing family hubs in the future. Details of the monitoring and reporting arrangements are set out in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Please ensure that this letter is copied to your Chief Finance Officer for information. You should also note that this letter has also been copied to His Majesty's Treasury and the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities.

Yours sincerely,



**Marc Rooney (Deputy Director)**  
Family Hubs & Early Years Interventions Division

## **REVENUE grant determination (non-ringfenced)**

### **FAMILY HUBS TRANSFORMATION FUND REVENUE GRANT DETERMINATION 2024-25: No 31/7355**

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 Family Hubs Transformation Fund Determination (2024-25) [No 31/7355].

#### **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 to deliver the expectations set out in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Secretary of State and each of the twelve local authorities to which grants are to be paid.

#### **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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Education



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**ANNEX A – FAMILY HUBS TRANSFORMATION FUND  
REVENUE GRANT DETERMINATION 2024-25: No 31/7355**

<b>Authorities to which grant is to be paid</b>	<b>Revenue funding FY 24-25</b>
Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole	£62,500
Brighton and Hove	£62,500
Cheshire East	£62,500
Cumberland (formerly Cumbria)	£55,531
Dorset	£62,500
London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham	£62,500
Leicestershire	£62,500
London Borough of Merton	£62,500
Solihull	£62,500
Stockport	£62,500
Wirral	£62,500
York	£62,500