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To local authorities in England listed in Annex A,

**Section 31 Grant Determination Letter on additional funding to deliver aspects of the Government's rough sleeping strategy [project_7695]
[No. 31/7843]**

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 funding to the local authorities in England listed at Annex A, towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

This grant is intended to support delivery of the Government commitment to provide intensive support to care leavers at highest risk of homelessness/rough sleeping.

Funding is being provided to allow LAs that were part of this programme in 2024-2025 to sustain work they are already delivering by continuing to employ one or more specialist advisers who provide intensive support to care leavers

at highest risk of homelessness/rough sleeping; and to promote join up between children's and housing services within local authorities.

A total of **£3,177,308.18** grant funding will be allocated to 50 local authorities in 2025-26. Annex A includes the total amount of funding awarded to each local authority for 2025-26.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Education.



May El Komy, Deputy Director, Outcomes, Care Leavers and Capital,
Department for Education

**SUPPORT FOR CARE LEAVERS AT RISK OF ROUGH SLEEPING GRANT
DETERMINATION 2025-26 No 31/7843 [project_7695]**

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 'Support for care leavers at risk of rough sleeping' Determination 2025-2026 [31/7843]

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. Funding is provided to LAs that have 5 or more young people in one of the three categories:

- they are homeless/no fixed abode.

- they are in 'other accommodation', which has been deemed by the local authority to be unsuitable – for example where they are sofasurfing with friends; or
- they are in either emergency or Bed & Breakfast accommodation

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.

DfE Governance, Monitoring and Reporting

Governance

4) DfE's Principal Accounting Officer is accountable to Ministers and Parliament and as such LAs are expected to participate in reporting projects funded through the programme.

5) LAs Director of Children's Services (DCS), or equivalent lead officer, will have oversight of the Rough Sleeping programme.

6)

Where an LA identifies significant risks or issues of financial or delivery underperformance there is an expectation that these will be escalated to the DfE by emailing the team at housing.careleavers@education.gov.uk

Monitoring and Reporting expectations

7) LA's will submit a quarterly monitoring return to the DfE which will include a summary of support delivered through this funding and outcomes for the young people that have been supported.

8)

LAs will commit to attending review meetings with their MHCLG contact where significant risks or issues of financial or delivery under-performance are identified.

Payment of Grant

4) The total grant to be paid to each authority is set out at Annex A. The grant will be paid in two instalments of as near equal value as possible, on 31 July 2025 and 31 January 2026.

Treasury consent

5) 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



May El Komy, Deputy Director, Outcomes, Care Leavers and Capital,
Department for Education

**ANNEX A – SUPPORT FOR CARE LEAVERS AT RISK OF ROUGH SLEEPING
GRANT DETERMINATION 2025-26: project_7695 [No 31/7843]**

LA	Payment 1	Payment 2	Total for FY 25-26
Bexley	£46,500.00	£46,500.00	£93,000.00
Birmingham	£47,500.00	£47,500.00	£95,000.00
Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole	£47,500.00	£47,500.00	£95,000.00
Brighton and Hove	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Bristol	£21,626.00	£21,626.00	£43,252.00
Bury	£22,517.66	£22,517.66	£45,035.32
Cambridgeshire	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Cornwall	£38,716.50	£38,716.50	£77,433.00
Derby	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Devon	£45,603.50	£45,603.50	£91,207.00
Dorset	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Dudley	£20,500.00	£20,500.00	£41,000.00
Ealing	£23,500.00	£23,500.00	£47,000.00
East Sussex	£17,613.00	£17,613.00	£35,226.00
Essex	£57,204.80	£57,204.80	£114,409.60
Gloucestershire	£46,173.60	£46,173.60	£92,347.20
Hampshire	£68,655.00	£68,655.00	£137,310.00
Haringey	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Herefordshire	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00

LA	Payment 1	Payment 2	Total for FY 25-26
Hertfordshire	£28,481.52	£28,481.52	£56,963.04
Hillingdon	£18,000.00	£18,000.00	£36,000.00
Kent	£65,537.44	£65,537.44	£131,074.88
Kingston upon Hull	£27,443.00	£27,443.00	£54,886.00
Lancashire	£35,261.00	£35,261.00	£70,522.00
Leicestershire	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Lincolnshire	£42,464.07	£42,464.07	£84,928.14
Liverpool	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Manchester	£47,500.00	£47,500.00	£95,000.00
N Somerset	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Norfolk	£22,417.00	£22,417.00	£44,834.00
North Yorkshire	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Nottingham	£19,503.00	£19,503.00	£39,006.00
Oxfordshire	£47,500.00	£47,500.00	£95,000.00
Peterborough	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Plymouth	£18,000.00	£18,000.00	£36,000.00
Sandwell	£47,500.00	£47,500.00	£95,000.00
Sheffield	£46,799.00	£46,799.00	£93,598.00
Shropshire	£15,000.00	£15,000.00	£30,000.00
Staffordshire	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Suffolk	£29,634.00	£29,634.00	£59,268.00
Surrey	£45,611.00	£45,611.00	£91,222.00
Swindon	£20,800.00	£20,800.00	£41,600.00
Torbay	£17,625.00	£17,625.00	£35,250.00
Wakefield	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Wandsworth	£71,250.00	£71,250.00	£142,500.00
Warrington	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
West Sussex	£17,000.00	£17,000.00	£34,000.00
Wiltshire	£21,800.00	£21,800.00	£43,600.00
Wolverhampton	£23,668.00	£23,668.00	£47,336.00
Worcestershire	£23,750.00	£23,750.00	£47,500.00
Totals	£1,588,654.09	£1,588,654.09	£3,177,308.18