

## **THE IMPROVED BETTER CARE FUND (REVENUE) GRANT DETERMINATION (2019-20): No 31/3699**

The Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Local Government) ("the Minister"), 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 **IMPROVED BETTER CARE FUND (REVENUE) GRANT DETERMINATION (2019-20) No 31/3699**.

### **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 determines as the authorities to which grant is to be paid the authorities set out in Annex A. The Minister determines as the amount of grant to be paid the amounts set out for each authority in the column headed Total Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20 in the tables in Annex A.
4. The grant will be paid in monthly instalments.

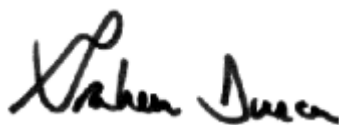
### **Grant conditions**

5. Pursuant to section 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003, the Minister determines that the grant will be paid subject to the conditions in Annex B.

### **Treasury consent**

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

Signed by authority of the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government



**Deputy Director,  
Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government**

**April 2019**

**Annex A – Improved Better Care Fund grant allocations to local authorities  
2019-20**

**TABLES**

<b>Local authority*</b>	<b>Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Additional Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Total Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>
Barking & Dagenham	£8,186,362	£1,292,759	£9,479,121
Barnet	£5,851,881	£2,039,280	£7,891,161
Barnsley	£10,064,787	£1,751,914	£11,816,701
Bath & North East Somerset	£3,000,932	£1,028,179	£4,029,111
Bedford	£1,810,276	£873,628	£2,683,904
Bexley	£4,184,699	£1,308,547	£5,493,246
Birmingham	£52,388,719	£7,932,295	£60,321,014
Blackburn with Darwen	£6,257,725	£1,081,454	£7,339,179
Blackpool	£8,371,989	£1,279,870	£9,651,859
Bolton	£11,081,479	£1,966,210	£13,047,689
Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole	£8,830,766	£2,464,995	£11,295,761
Bracknell Forest	£609,665	£508,552	£1,118,217
Bradford	£17,155,801	£3,247,611	£20,403,412
Brent	£9,711,064	£1,898,224	£11,609,288
Brighton & Hove	£6,219,573	£1,732,769	£7,952,342
Bristol	£11,624,550	£2,862,518	£14,487,068
Bromley	£4,635,876	£1,676,908	£6,312,784
Buckinghamshire	£875,120	£2,346,242	£3,221,362
Bury	£5,433,794	£1,153,651	£6,587,445
Calderdale	£5,967,537	£1,300,199	£7,267,736
Cambridgeshire	£9,127,379	£3,273,842	£12,401,221
Camden	£9,392,354	£1,817,408	£11,209,762
Central Bedfordshire	£618,630	£1,215,908	£1,834,538
Cheshire East	£4,956,869	£2,042,422	£6,999,291
Cheshire West & Chester	£6,970,961	£2,068,556	£9,039,517
City of London	£196,617	£68,736	£265,353
Cornwall	£16,903,436	£3,943,423	£20,846,859
Coventry	£11,579,316	£2,192,761	£13,772,077
Croydon	£6,308,238	£1,975,177	£8,283,415
Cumbria	£17,167,430	£3,542,288	£20,709,718
Darlington	£3,147,338	£707,667	£3,855,005
Derby	£8,918,051	£1,624,238	£10,542,289
Derbyshire	£25,928,389	£5,126,339	£31,054,728
Devon	£19,650,187	£5,044,754	£24,694,941
Doncaster	£12,185,089	£2,135,843	£14,320,932
Dorset	£7,966,854	£2,408,891	£10,375,745

<b>Local authority*</b>	<b>Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Additional Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Total Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>
Dudley	£12,368,484	£2,208,698	£14,577,182
Durham	£23,143,915	£3,992,988	£27,136,903
Ealing	£8,887,531	£2,001,623	£10,889,154
East Riding of Yorkshire	£7,793,619	£2,039,913	£9,833,532
East Sussex	£14,901,593	£3,649,105	£18,550,698
Enfield	£8,248,771	£1,833,840	£10,082,611
Essex	£30,748,124	£8,349,329	£39,097,453
Gateshead	£8,316,618	£1,601,938	£9,918,556
Gloucestershire	£13,337,177	£3,568,769	£16,905,946
Greenwich	£11,766,828	£1,883,246	£13,650,074
Hackney	£12,753,065	£1,989,501	£14,742,566
Halton**	-	-	-
Hammersmith & Fulham	£7,514,757	£1,299,268	£8,814,025
Hampshire	£18,907,454	£6,697,875	£25,605,329
Haringey	£6,749,240	£1,620,634	£8,369,874
Harrow	£4,131,169	£1,366,633	£5,497,802
Hartlepool	£3,990,762	£708,800	£4,699,562
Havering	£4,201,582	£1,417,039	£5,618,621
Herefordshire	£4,460,881	£1,241,926	£5,702,807
Hertfordshire	£12,908,802	£5,819,306	£18,728,108
Hillingdon	£4,739,631	£1,467,509	£6,207,140
Hounslow	£5,524,544	£1,410,027	£6,934,571
Isle of Wight	£4,150,739	£1,081,256	£5,231,995
Isles of Scilly	£48,591	£17,841	£66,432
Islington	£10,970,240	£1,819,835	£12,790,075
Kensington & Chelsea	£5,346,041	£1,223,816	£6,569,857
Kent	£33,682,563	£8,697,178	£42,379,741
Kingston upon Hull	£13,882,184	£2,058,371	£15,940,555
Kingston upon Thames	£407,800	£804,796	£1,212,596
Kirklees	£12,810,073	£2,627,812	£15,437,885
Knowsley**	-	-	-
Lambeth	£10,865,426	£2,132,609	£12,998,035
Lancashire	£40,013,825	£7,799,412	£47,813,237
Leeds	£22,722,051	£4,677,589	£27,399,640
Leicester	£13,239,580	£2,226,941	£15,466,521
Leicestershire	£11,352,700	£3,403,556	£14,756,256
Lewisham	£11,199,290	£1,935,201	£13,134,491
Lincolnshire	£25,120,225	£4,761,288	£29,881,513
Liverpool**	-	-	-
Luton	£5,359,396	£1,113,437	£6,472,833
Manchester	£24,374,318	£3,775,406	£28,149,724

<b>Local authority*</b>	<b>Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Additional Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Total Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>
Medway	£4,688,023	£1,406,772	£6,094,795
Merton	£3,060,748	£1,053,738	£4,114,486
Middlesbrough	£6,560,925	£1,072,792	£7,633,717
Milton Keynes	£3,806,965	£1,279,529	£5,086,494
Newcastle upon Tyne	£12,752,585	£2,123,952	£14,876,537
Newham	£13,139,623	£2,079,019	£15,218,642
Norfolk	£28,371,579	£5,903,436	£34,275,015
North East Lincolnshire	£5,939,467	£1,102,455	£7,041,922
North Lincolnshire	£5,188,990	£1,075,022	£6,264,012
North Somerset	£4,553,663	£1,302,858	£5,856,521
North Tyneside	£6,809,427	£1,456,382	£8,265,809
North Yorkshire	£10,979,238	£3,416,147	£14,395,385
Northamptonshire	£14,407,671	£3,832,846	£18,240,517
Northumberland	£8,460,139	£2,146,770	£10,606,909
Nottingham	£12,372,171	£2,192,439	£14,564,610
Nottinghamshire	£21,504,760	£4,979,399	£26,484,159
Oldham	£8,149,963	£1,586,363	£9,736,326
Oxfordshire	£4,876,858	£3,222,184	£8,099,042
Peterborough	£5,345,090	£1,121,186	£6,466,276
Plymouth	£9,453,525	£1,815,167	£11,268,692
Portsmouth	£6,214,546	£1,258,181	£7,472,727
Reading	£1,243,140	£800,830	£2,043,970
Redbridge	£7,093,059	£1,575,910	£8,668,969
Redcar & Cleveland	£4,986,432	£1,017,638	£6,004,070
Richmond upon Thames	£0	£92,793	£92,793
Rochdale	£9,240,332	£1,568,280	£10,808,612
Rotherham	£10,806,546	£1,902,941	£12,709,487
Rutland	£0	£76,671	£76,671
Salford	£10,491,654	£1,863,739	£12,355,393
Sandwell	£17,878,328	£2,618,260	£20,496,588
Sefton**	-	-	-
Sheffield	£21,896,440	£3,826,894	£25,723,334
Shropshire	£8,153,519	£1,967,260	£10,120,779
Slough	£2,629,700	£726,969	£3,356,669
Solihull	£4,159,978	£1,227,106	£5,387,084
Somerset	£16,659,819	£3,528,022	£20,187,841
South Gloucestershire	£2,246,264	£1,315,144	£3,561,408
South Tyneside	£7,965,945	£1,295,531	£9,261,476
Southampton	£7,713,111	£1,567,547	£9,280,658
Southend-on-Sea	£5,580,147	£1,164,088	£6,744,235
Southwark	£13,528,915	£2,223,018	£15,751,933

<b>Local authority*</b>	<b>Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Additional Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>	<b>Total Improved Better Care Fund 2019-20</b>
St Helens**	-	-	-
Staffordshire	£23,202,688	£5,002,713	£28,205,401
Stockport	£6,333,072	£1,809,477	£8,142,549
Stockton-on-Tees	£4,922,855	£1,192,949	£6,115,804
Stoke-on-Trent	£11,727,652	£1,885,462	£13,613,114
Suffolk	£20,288,373	£4,604,909	£24,893,282
Sunderland	£14,346,491	£2,220,154	£16,566,645
Surrey	£1,471,549	£5,606,896	£7,078,445
Sutton	£2,172,642	£1,037,561	£3,210,203
Swindon	£3,383,460	£1,084,147	£4,467,607
Tameside	£9,428,473	£1,632,637	£11,061,110
Telford & Wrekin	£5,724,690	£1,094,548	£6,819,238
Thurrock	£3,828,152	£923,354	£4,751,506
Torbay	£6,577,207	£1,171,936	£7,749,143
Tower Hamlets	£12,777,414	£2,073,665	£14,851,079
Trafford	£5,701,878	£1,335,021	£7,036,899
Wakefield	£12,929,409	£2,331,922	£15,261,331
Walsall	£10,308,569	£2,023,652	£12,332,221
Waltham Forest	£6,581,880	£1,536,900	£8,118,780
Wandsworth	£13,348,881	£1,839,453	£15,188,334
Warrington	£4,043,044	£1,161,529	£5,204,573
Warwickshire	£9,305,226	£3,148,557	£12,453,783
West Berkshire	£0	£281,912	£281,912
West Sussex	£12,051,045	£4,652,177	£16,703,222
Westminster	£13,930,562	£1,876,343	£15,806,905
Wigan	£12,426,291	£2,251,719	£14,678,010
Wiltshire	£5,552,121	£2,565,815	£8,117,936
Windsor & Maidenhead	£1,132,630	£670,122	£1,802,752
Wirral**	-	-	-
Wokingham	£0	£56,390	£56,390
Wolverhampton	£11,003,681	£1,946,983	£12,950,664
Worcestershire	£12,716,559	£3,363,938	£16,080,497
York	£3,447,466	£1,031,686	£4,479,152
<b>TOTAL*</b>	<b>£1,423,792,567</b>	<b>£324,458,174</b>	<b>£1,748,250,741</b>

\* Funding paid to local authorities with responsibility for adult social care only

\*\* The total iBCF allocation for Liverpool City Region councils (£88,749,256) has been devolved as a part of the Business Rates Retention pilots and will not need to be paid out

Allocations may not sum to exact totals due to rounding

*Restructures:*

1) On 1 April 2019 Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council was established, comprising the areas of Bournemouth Borough Council, Christchurch Borough Council & Poole Borough Council.

2) On 1 April 2019 Dorset Council was established, comprising the areas of East Dorset District Council, North Dorset District Council, Purbeck District Council, West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland District Council.

**Annex B – Grant Conditions**

1. In this Annex:
  - a. "a recipient authority" means a local authority listed in Annex A to this determination;
  - b. "the Department" means the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government;
  - c. "the Minister" means the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Local Government).

Use of grant

2. Grant paid to a recipient authority under this determination may be used only for the purposes of;
  - a. meeting adult social care needs,
  - b. reducing pressures on the NHS, including supporting more people to be discharged from hospital when they are ready, and
  - c. ensuring that the social care provider market is supported.
3. A recipient authority must:
  - a. pool the grant funding into the local Better Care Fund, unless the authority has written Ministerial exemption;
  - b. work with the relevant Clinical Commissioning Group and providers to meet National Condition 4 (Managing Transfers of Care) in the 2019-20 Better Care Fund Policy Framework and Planning Requirements; and
  - c. report on spend as required, through the Better Care Fund (BCF).

Financial Management

4. A recipient authority must maintain a sound system of internal financial controls.
5. If a recipient authority has any grounds for suspecting financial irregularity in the use of any grant paid under this funding agreement, it must notify the Department immediately, explain what steps are being taken to investigate the suspicion and keep the Department informed about the progress of the investigation. For these purposes "financial irregularity" includes fraud or other impropriety,

mismanagement, and the use of grant for purposes other than those for which it was provided.

#### Breach of Conditions and Recovery of Grant

6. If a recipient authority fails to comply with any of these conditions, the Minister may reduce, suspend or withhold grant payments or require the repayment of the whole or any part of the grant monies paid, as may be determined by the Minister and notified in writing to the authority. Such sum as has been notified will immediately become repayable to the Minister who may set off the sum against any future amount due to the authority from the Government.

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