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To Local Authorities in England listed in Annex A

Dear Colleagues,

Re: S31 Grant Determination Letter for Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) COVID-19 Fund (MHCLG 31/5374)

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 Fund is for spend incurred no earlier than 1 June 2020 and no later than 20 November 2020 and for up to three months of costs only. Spend must either have been incurred in order to meet public health requirements relating to unaccompanied asylum seeking children, including the border health measures introduced on 8 June, or to meet increased costs of caring for unaccompanied asylum seeking children and former unaccompanied children who are now care leavers as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19). The latter includes costs incurred for this cohort as a result of wider pressures on services during the pandemic and costs incurred as a result of caring for children received through the National Transfer Scheme (NTS) in response to the urgent situation on the south coast.

For example, funding may be used for the following (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Costs of isolation accommodation for newly arriving unaccompanied asylum seeking children;
- Additional costs incurred as a result of receiving children through the NTS in response to the situation on the south coast (if not covered by the funding contribution received from the Home Office);
- Costs for extra staff procured to support isolation of newly arriving unaccompanied asylum seeking children or for age assessment;

- Costs associated with backlogs in processes such as age assessments, due to COVID-19 related staff shortages or associated pressures;
- Additional accommodation or staffing costs incurred due to COVID-19, for example following an increase in provider prices;
- Additional support for former unaccompanied asylum seeking children who are now care leavers necessitated by COVID-19.

A total of £5,612,727.91 grant funding will be allocated to 56 local authorities in 2021. Annex A lists the total amount of funding awarded to each local authority.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Education



UNACCOMPANIED ASYLUM SEEKING CHILDREN (UASC) COVID-19 FUND GRANT DETERMINATION 2020/21 No 31/5374] Project_4436

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 Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) Covid-19 Fund Determination 2020/21[No31/5374].

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

Payment of Grant

The total grant to be paid to each authority is set out at Annex A. The grant will be paid in one instalment before the end of this financial year.

Treasury consent

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

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ANNEX A – UNACCOMPANIED ASYLUM SEEKING CHILDREN (UASC) COVID-19 FUND GRANT DETERMINATION 2020/21: No 31/5374 Project_4436

Local authority	Allocation
Barking and Dagenham London Borough	£64,831.00
Barnet London Borough	£183,858.30
Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council	£2,307.00
Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council	£11,843.56
City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council	£30,309.00
Brent London Borough	£209,171.61
Brighton and Hove Council	£155,228.00
Bury Metropolitan Borough Council	£1,984.00
Camden London Borough	£151,539.00
Central Bedfordshire UA	£254,657.53
Cheshire East UA	£3,055.00
City of London	£43,943.14
Coventry City Council	£64,955.00
Croydon London Borough	£198,848.62
Cumbria County Council	£10,651.37
Derbyshire County Council	£108,351.00
Dorset Council	£102,978.00
Ealing London Borough	£61,086.00
East Sussex County Council	£59,058.00
Enfield London Borough	£216,238.00
Essex County Council	£39,500.00
Hackney London Borough	£151,167.00
Hammersmith and Fulham London Borough	£80,519.48
Hampshire County Council	£27,000.00
Haringey London Borough	£121,346.00
Harrow London Borough	£17,690.85
Islington London Borough	£170,585.00
Kensington and Chelsea Royal Borough	£80,814.46
Kent County Council	£794,333.00
Kingston upon Thames Royal Borough	£24,013.00
Lambeth London Borough	£62,856.33
Leeds City Council	£68,920.96

Leicestershire County Council	£147,886.60
Liverpool City Council	£42,843.86
Manchester City Council	£133,423.00
Norfolk County Council	£340,314.00
North Yorkshire County Council	£13,718.82
Northumberland County UA	£23,734.04
Oxfordshire	£76,213.00
Portsmouth City Council	£80,742.00
Redbridge London Borough	£196,208.00
Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council	£44,303.53
London Borough of Richmond upon Thames	£16,356.00
Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council	£36,752.55
Salford Metropolitan District Council	£17,130.00
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council	£79,923.68
Sheffield City Council	£84,235.00
Slough Borough Council	£36,148.80
Surrey County Council	£272,177.28
Sutton London Borough	£13,263.00
Waltham Forest London Borough	£1,849.38
Warwickshire County Council	£39,167.63
Westminster City Council	£284,118.80
Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council	£34,297.95
Wiltshire County UA	£4,009.48
Wokingham District Council	£20,272.30
England Total 20/21	£5,612,727.91