

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) has determined under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003 that a grant of £125 million should be paid to the local authorities detailed at Annex A.

The Treasury has consented to payment of this grant.

Purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding

The purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to formalise the working relationship and expectations relating to the payment from MHCLG to Councils to enable them to fulfil the functions of the new statutory duty on Tier 1 Local Authorities relating to the provision of support to victims of domestic abuse and their children residing within safe accommodation outlined at Section A for preparation and continuity.

This MoU has been drafted to set out the principles and practices that will apply to the working relationship between MHCLG and local authorities listed at Annex A with regard to delivering the new statutory duty (as described above).

While this document is not a legal or binding agreement, all parties enter into the MOU committed to honouring all their obligations within it.

About the Grant

1. The Secretary of State has determined that to ensure that local authorities are able to continue funding support to victims and their children until the commencement of the new statutory duty¹, and to keep up the momentum (achieved through the 2020/21 £6 million Domestic Abuse Capacity Building Fund) enabling preparation so that local authorities are as ready as they can be, (see Annex A for the overview of the new duty) the grant funding for 2021/22 is to be paid on 1 April based on the understanding that:

- a) The grant only covers revenue expenditure relating to the functions set out in the new statutory duty (within the Domestic Abuse Bill) on Tier 1 Local Authorities relating to the provision of support to victims of domestic abuse and their children residing within safe accommodation;
- b) The grant is distributed to Local Authorities for the period from 01 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 for the purpose of and the expectation that they start to prepare and fulfil their relevant functions under the duty from that date as if the new duty were in force and continue to fulfil these functions in line with the duty once it is commenced (subject to Parliamentary approval).
- c) The Bill will put in place a statutory framework for the delivery of support to victims of domestic abuse and their children residing within safe accommodation. Tier 1 Local Authorities will be required to appoint a multi-

¹ At the time of drawing up the agreement the new statutory duty is still subject to Parliamentary approval.

agency Local Partnership Board (LPB) to support them in performing certain specified functions. These will be:

- **Assess the need** for accommodation-based support for all victims and their children, including those who require cross border support.
- **Prepare and publish strategies** for the provision of support to cover the locality and diverse groups of victims.
- **Give effect to strategies by making commissioning/de-commissioning decisions to meet the support needs of victims and their children.**
- **Monitor and evaluate local delivery of the strategy.**
- **Report back to Central Government; expected to include:**
 - Reporting on local delivery – setting out how the functions have been executed under the new duty (including reporting on strategy, as well as how partnership working has been approached working across key agencies and across neighbouring areas;
 - Evidence that adequate needs assessments have been undertaken;
 - Evidence that local strategies are in place and working effectively;
 - Evidence that local commissioning decisions have been informed by needs assessments and that there is adequate suitable provision;
 - An evaluation of the impact of decisions locally including service delivery outcomes;
 - Evidence on spend and feedback on delivery, including challenges faced and best practice.

(d) Tier 2 authorities will be required to cooperate with the Tier 1 authority, so far as is reasonably practicable.

(e) To ensure continuity in provision, where existing domestic abuse safe accommodation support services (which are meeting a need in that area) are already commissioned by Tier 2 Local Authorities, Tier 1 Local Authorities commit to either contract services directly or pass the appropriate funding to Tier 2 Local Authorities to maintain equivalent commissioned services until the needs assessments have been completed and the new strategies are in place on which future commissioning decisions can be based.

(f) Subject to Royal Assent of the Domestic Abuse Bill, and consultation, MHCLG expects to set out in regulations that Tier 1 authorities should finalise and publish their first strategy, based on a robust needs assessment, by August 21.

B. Definitions

2. In this MoU :

‘MHCLG’ means the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government;

‘Bill’ means the Domestic Abuse Bill;

‘Tier 1 Local Authorities’ means county and unitary councils (other than London Boroughs), the Greater London Authority and the Council of the Isles of Scilly.

'Tier 2 Local Authorities' means district, borough and city councils and London Boroughs.

'LPB' means the Domestic Abuse Local Partnership Board described in Part 4 of the Domestic Abuse Bill;

3. The 'new statutory duty' is: the new statutory duty on Tier 1 Local Authorities relating to the provision of support for victims of domestic abuse and their children within safe accommodation as set out in Part 4 of the Domestic Abuse Bill.

4. 'Eligible expenditure' means the payment of amount set out at Annex A.

5. 'Funding Period' means the period commencing on 01 April 2021 and ending on 31 March 2022.

6. 'Grant Recipient' means Local Authorities in England.

C. Amount of Grant until the end of March 2022

7. The maximum amount of grant payable for the funding period between 01 April 2021 and 31 March 2022 is set out at Annex A of this MoU.

D. Eligibility criteria

8. Payment of grant cannot be offered unless the Grant Recipient is a local authority in England.

SIGNED for on behalf of

The Secretary of State for the Ministry
of Housing, Communities and Local
Government

Name Cathy Page

Position Deputy Director, Housing with
Care and Support



Signature

SIGNED for on behalf of

Local Authority: MIDDLESBROUGH
COUNCIL

Name ANDREW HUMBLE

Position HEAD OF FINANCIAL
PLANNING & SUPPORT

Signature



Date

16/3/21

Date 07 April 2021

Annex A

Tier One Authorities		
Code	Name	DA duty 2021/22 allocation
E08000016	Barnsley	£586,210
E06000022	Bath and North East Somerset	£311,380
E06000055	Bedford	£335,779
E08000025	Birmingham	£3,263,007
E06000008	Blackburn with Darwen	£382,118
E06000009	Blackpool	£411,598
E08000001	Bolton	£682,592
E06000058	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole	£750,257
E06000036	Bracknell Forest	£203,767
E08000032	Bradford	£1,381,565
E06000043	Brighton and Hove	£606,288
E06000023	Bristol, City of	£1,079,426
E06000060	Buckinghamshire	£854,917
E08000002	Bury	£401,365
E08000033	Calderdale	£455,966
E10000003	Cambridgeshire	£1,140,318
E06000056	Central Bedfordshire	£470,255
E06000049	Cheshire East	£648,332
E06000050	Cheshire West and Chester	£647,714
E06000052	Cornwall	£1,173,569
E06000047	County Durham	£1,167,170
E08000026	Coventry	£849,930
E10000006	Cumbria	£995,779
E06000005	Darlington	£222,365
E06000015	Derby	£601,194
E10000007	Derbyshire	£1,471,203
E10000008	Devon	£1,421,907
E08000017	Doncaster	£732,742
E06000059	Dorset	£650,730
E08000027	Dudley	£663,972
E06000011	East Riding of Yorkshire	£573,444
E10000011	East Sussex	£1,069,272
E10000012	Essex	£2,763,458
E08000037	Gateshead	£459,609

N/A	GLA	£20,688,230
E10000013	Gloucestershire	£1,105,661
E06000006	Halton	£326,978
E10000014	Hampshire	£2,300,222
E06000001	Hartlepool	£237,071
E06000019	Herefordshire, County of	£361,911
E10000015	Hertfordshire	£2,013,659
E06000046	Isle of Wight	£292,040
E06000053	Isles of Scilly	£63,000
E10000016	Kent	£3,103,909
E06000010	Kingston upon Hull, City of	£732,844
E08000034	Kirklees	£918,922
E08000011	Knowsley	£459,768
E10000017	Lancashire	£2,493,526
E08000035	Leeds	£1,846,117
E06000016	Leicester	£857,364
E10000018	Leicestershire	£1,127,205
E10000019	Lincolnshire	£1,454,133
E08000012	Liverpool	£1,507,751
E06000032	Luton	£502,704
E08000003	Manchester	£1,652,996
E06000035	Medway	£592,126
E06000002	Middlesbrough	£394,865
E06000042	Milton Keynes	£535,189
E08000021	Newcastle upon Tyne	£735,668
E10000020	Norfolk	£1,806,177
E06000012	North East Lincolnshire	£373,916
E06000013	North Lincolnshire	£342,616
E06000061	North Northamptonshire	£664,295
E06000024	North Somerset	£378,304
E08000022	North Tyneside	£420,523
E10000023	North Yorkshire	£1,041,769
E06000057	Northumberland	£641,149
E06000018	Nottingham	£871,229
E10000024	Nottinghamshire	£1,540,091
E08000004	Oldham	£578,516
E10000025	Oxfordshire	£1,141,151
E06000031	Peterborough	£477,374
E06000026	Plymouth	£589,824
E06000044	Portsmouth	£496,809
E06000038	Reading	£341,986
E06000003	Redcar and Cleveland	£315,512
E08000005	Rochdale	£565,637

E08000018	Rotherham	£617,969
E06000017	Rutland	£63,000
E08000006	Salford	£677,601
E08000028	Sandwell	£841,812
E08000014	Sefton	£605,595
E08000019	Sheffield	£1,325,868
E06000051	Shropshire	£578,549
E06000039	Slough	£340,781
E08000029	Solihull	£422,417
E10000027	Somerset	£1,041,540
E06000025	South Gloucestershire	£467,971
E08000023	South Tyneside	£354,521
E06000045	Southampton	£587,012
E06000033	Southend-on-Sea	£372,090
E08000013	St. Helens	£436,525
E10000028	Staffordshire	£1,554,370
E08000007	Stockport	£576,435
E06000004	Stockton-on-Tees	£422,596
E06000021	Stoke-on-Trent	£647,559
E10000029	Suffolk	£1,411,844
E08000024	Sunderland	£666,874
E10000030	Surrey	£1,916,964
E06000030	Swindon	£430,326
E08000008	Tameside	£547,627
E06000020	Telford and Wrekin	£389,533
E06000034	Thurrock	£366,530
E06000027	Torbay	£308,541
E08000009	Trafford	£432,696
E08000036	Wakefield	£799,867
E08000030	Walsall	£690,150
E06000007	Warrington	£399,956
E10000031	Warwickshire	£1,040,132
E06000037	West Berkshire	£250,101
E06000062	West Northamptonshire	£765,078
E10000032	West Sussex	£1,498,174
E08000010	Wigan	£715,786
E06000054	Wiltshire	£830,051
E06000040	Windsor and Maidenhead	£240,380
E08000015	Wirral	£749,820
E06000041	Wokingham	£247,376
E08000031	Wolverhampton	£650,902
E10000034	Worcestershire	£1,092,703
E06000014	York	£334,506

Tier Two Authorities

E07000223	Adur	£32,529
E07000026	Allerdale	£32,057
E07000032	Amber Valley	£32,898
E07000224	Arun	£32,105
E07000170	Ashfield	£31,994
E07000105	Ashford	£33,583
E07000200	Babergh	£32,619
E09000002	Barking and Dagenham	£34,707
E09000003	Barnet	£36,159
E07000027	Barrow-in-Furness	£33,047
E07000066	Basildon	£34,097
E07000084	Basingstoke and Deane	£35,125
E07000171	Bassetlaw	£31,917
E09000004	Bexley	£33,794
E07000129	Blaby	£33,291
E07000033	Bolsover	£32,248
E07000136	Boston	£31,477
E07000067	Braintree	£32,264
E07000143	Breckland	£31,450
E09000005	Brent	£35,701
E07000068	Brentwood	£34,750
E07000144	Broadland	£33,077
E09000006	Bromley	£34,892
E07000234	Bromsgrove	£32,832
E07000095	Broxbourne	£34,104
E07000172	Broxtowe	£32,937
E07000117	Burnley	£31,778
E07000008	Cambridge	£37,089
E09000007	Camden	£42,403
E07000192	Cannock Chase	£31,739
E07000106	Canterbury	£33,176
E07000028	Carlisle	£32,315
E07000069	Castle Point	£32,437
E07000130	Charnwood	£32,295
E07000070	Chelmsford	£34,177
E07000078	Cheltenham	£33,524
E07000177	Cherwell	£34,385
E07000034	Chesterfield	£32,300

E07000225	Chichester	£34,060
E07000118	Chorley	£31,035
E09000001	City of London	£48,589
E07000071	Colchester	£33,646
E07000029	Copeland	£34,823
E07000079	Cotswold	£33,790
E07000163	Craven	£32,614
E07000226	Crawley	£35,672
E09000008	Croydon	£34,919
E07000096	Dacorum	£34,151
E07000107	Dartford	£34,997
E07000035	Derbyshire Dales	£32,383
E07000108	Dover	£33,017
E09000009	Ealing	£35,735
E07000009	East Cambridgeshire	£33,982
E07000040	East Devon	£31,959
E07000085	East Hampshire	£34,038
E07000242	East Hertfordshire	£34,089
E07000137	East Lindsey	£31,752
E07000193	East Staffordshire	£33,386
E07000244	East Suffolk	£32,438
E07000061	Eastbourne	£32,736
E07000086	Eastleigh	£33,837
E07000030	Eden	£33,354
E07000207	Elmbridge	£35,896
E09000010	Enfield	£35,028
E07000072	Epping Forest	£35,510
E07000208	Epsom and Ewell	£34,207
E07000036	Erewash	£31,317
E07000041	Exeter	£33,240
E07000087	Fareham	£34,603
E07000010	Fenland	£31,814
E07000112	Folkestone and Hythe	£32,479
E07000080	Forest of Dean	£31,748
E07000119	Fylde	£33,196
E07000173	Gedling	£31,945
E07000081	Gloucester	£32,639
E07000088	Gosport	£31,587
E07000109	Gravesham	£33,090
E07000145	Great Yarmouth	£32,365
E09000011	Greenwich	£35,099
E07000209	Guildford	£36,930
E09000012	Hackney	£37,505

E07000164	Hambleton	£32,685
E09000013	Hammersmith and Fulham	£39,583
E07000131	Harborough	£33,548
E09000014	Haringey	£35,655
E07000073	Harlow	£34,339
E07000165	Harrogate	£32,987
E09000015	Harrow	£35,201
E07000089	Hart	£34,691
E07000062	Hastings	£31,843
E07000090	Havant	£33,339
E09000016	Havering	£35,067
E07000098	Hertsmere	£35,337
E07000037	High Peak	£31,987
E09000017	Hillingdon	£37,190
E07000132	Hinckley and Bosworth	£32,730
E07000227	Horsham	£34,005
E09000018	Hounslow	£38,038
E07000011	Huntingdonshire	£32,903
E07000120	Hyndburn	£30,865
E07000202	Ipswich	£32,715
E09000019	Islington	£41,039
E09000020	Kensington and Chelsea	£43,806
E07000146	King's Lynn and West Norfolk	£32,863
E09000021	Kingston upon Thames	£36,120
E09000022	Lambeth	£38,320
E07000121	Lancaster	£31,346
E07000063	Lewes	£32,839
E09000023	Lewisham	£35,605
E07000194	Lichfield	£32,606
E07000138	Lincoln	£32,219
E07000110	Maidstone	£33,334
E07000074	Maldon	£34,275
E07000235	Malvern Hills	£31,885
E07000174	Mansfield	£31,238
E07000133	Melton	£32,338
E07000187	Mendip	£32,464
E09000024	Merton	£35,693
E07000042	Mid Devon	£32,455
E07000203	Mid Suffolk	£31,832
E07000228	Mid Sussex	£33,632
E07000210	Mole Valley	£35,994
E07000091	New Forest	£33,235
E07000175	Newark and Sherwood	£31,055

E07000195	Newcastle-under-Lyme	£32,215
E09000025	Newham	£36,047
E07000043	North Devon	£32,638
E07000038	North East Derbyshire	£31,482
E07000099	North Hertfordshire	£33,488
E07000139	North Kesteven	£32,617
E07000147	North Norfolk	£32,138
E06000061	North Northamptonshire1	£128,655
E07000218	North Warwickshire	£34,867
E07000134	North West Leicestershire	£32,571
E07000148	Norwich	£32,679
E07000219	Nuneaton and Bedworth	£31,944
E07000135	Oadby and Wigston	£32,301
E07000178	Oxford	£36,788
E07000122	Pendle	£31,493
E07000123	Preston	£32,722
E09000026	Redbridge	£33,353
E07000236	Redditch	£32,761
E07000211	Reigate and Banstead	£34,761
E07000124	Ribble Valley	£33,351
E09000027	Richmond upon Thames	£37,166
E07000166	Richmondshire	£33,697
E07000075	Rochford	£32,641
E07000125	Rossendale	£31,150
E07000064	Rother	£32,450
E07000220	Rugby	£34,240
E07000212	Runnymede	£37,053
E07000176	Rushcliffe	£32,229
E07000092	Rushmoor	£35,541
E07000167	Ryedale	£32,298
E07000168	Scarborough	£32,026
E07000188	Sedgemoor	£32,059
E07000169	Selby	£32,831
E07000111	Sevenoaks	£34,246
E07000246	Somerset West and Taunton	£32,038
E07000012	South Cambridgeshire	£36,601
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E07000141	South Kesteven	£31,920
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E07000149	South Norfolk	£33,335
E07000179	South Oxfordshire	£33,540

E07000126	South Ribble	£31,881
E07000189	South Somerset	£32,452
E07000196	South Staffordshire	£32,633
E09000028	Southwark	£39,552
E07000213	Spelthorne	£36,086
E07000240	St Albans	£34,754
E07000197	Stafford	£32,783
E07000198	Staffordshire Moorlands	£31,297
E07000243	Stevenage	£34,566
E07000221	Stratford-on-Avon	£34,416
E07000082	Stroud	£32,440
E07000214	Surrey Heath	£34,283
E09000029	Sutton	£34,058
E07000113	Swale	£32,709
E07000199	Tamworth	£32,713
E07000215	Tandridge	£33,913
E07000045	Teignbridge	£32,264
E07000076	Tendring	£31,684
E07000093	Test Valley	£33,296
E07000083	Tewkesbury	£34,815
E07000114	Thanet	£32,011
E07000102	Three Rivers	£36,200
E07000115	Tonbridge and Malling	£34,242
E07000046	Torridge	£32,106
E09000030	Tower Hamlets	£41,944
E07000116	Tunbridge Wells	£33,361
E07000077	Uttlesford	£34,857
E07000180	Vale of White Horse	£35,167
E09000031	Waltham Forest	£34,573
E09000032	Wandsworth	£36,860
E07000222	Warwick	£34,498
E07000103	Watford	£33,957
E07000216	Waverley	£34,908
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E07000241	Welwyn Hatfield	£35,734
E07000047	West Devon	£32,083
E07000127	West Lancashire	£32,916
E07000142	West Lindsey	£31,785
E06000062	West Northamptonshire1	£100,946
E07000181	West Oxfordshire	£33,422
E07000245	West Suffolk	£32,829
E09000033	Westminster	£47,970
E07000094	Winchester	£34,386

E07000217	Woking	£36,992
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E07000229	Worthing	£32,749
E07000238	Wychavon	£31,988
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E07000239	Wyre Forest	£31,053