

REPORT FROM: Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services
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TO: Brierfield and Reedley Committee

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Brierfield Town Centre Re-opening

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To report to the committee on Covid Funding for Re-opening of Brierfield Town Centre

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Committee approves the Action Plan or suggests amendments alongside taking note of the costings to ensure safe Covid compliant environment for the re-opening of Brierfield Town Centre.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To allow for a decision to be made and support given to Brierfield Town Centre.

ISSUE

1. To assist Brierfield Town Centre to safely re-open and adhere to all relevant Covid rules, then funding has been provided to ensure this happens. Brierfield and Reedley Area Committee have been allocated £7,310 ERDF, £4,180 Pendle allocation, making a total of £11,490.
2. Sums for the ERDF proportion of the grant have to be spent in accordance with the Grant guidelines.
3. Full Committee approval is needed and attached is the Officers proposed Action Plan and costings for the Committee to decided and agree bearing in mind the costings attached.

4. Various hand sanitiser stations were researched by Officers on the weight, height and portability but the ones listed in the costings provide the best examples of what is available. Officer recommendation is that 1 of the examples be chosen and suitable locations find throughout the High Street.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None arising directly from this report

Financial: Total allocation is £11,490, of which £7,310 is ERDF and £4,180 is Pendle. The ERDF proportion is to be claimed back once expenditure is defrayed and the grant will only be paid in respect of Eligible Expenditure. Eligible Expenditure excludes payments made by the Grant Recipient (or Delivery Partners) that are (a) Not Eligible or in line with ERDF requirements or (b) payments that are the subject of an Irregularity or a suspected Irregularity. For non-compliance, Brierfield Town Council, Brierfield and Reedley Area Committee or Pendle Borough Council could potentially have to stand these costs.

Legal: None arising directly from this report

Risk Management: None arising directly from this report

Health and Safety: None arising directly from this report

Sustainability: None arising directly from this report

Community Safety: None arising directly from this report

Equality and Diversity: grants are accessible to all businesses within the town centre.

APPENDICES

Action Plan Proposal
Costings

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS