

Appendix A Covid -19 Grants (as at 7 July 2020)

Grant / Commitment	Date of Notice	National £m	Southwark £m	Purpose
General support for local authorities for COVID-19 pressures - first announcement	11/03/20	1,600	11.137	Primarily to support social care, homeless and rough sleepers and to meet pressures across other services.
General support for local authorities for COVID-19 pressures - second announcement	18/04/20	1,600	8.785	The second tranche of funding was allocated on a per capita basis.
General support for local authorities for COVID-19 pressures - third announcement	02/07/20	500	3.500	Estimated share of additional funding to support additional costs. No details yet.
General support for local authorities for COVID-19 pressures - third announcement - income loss	02/07/20	No set amount	5.800	Estimated share of additional funding to support losses in sales, fees and charges. No details yet.
Total General support		3,700	29.222	
Hardship Fund	11/03/20	500	3.476	The council has introduced a new council tax hardship policy to provide extra help to low income, working age, council tax payers. In most cases the extra help will reduce bills by £150.
Homelessness Fund - emergency fund to help rough sleepers to self-isolate	17/03/20	3.2	0.033	Emergency funding for rough sleepers
100% business rate reliefs	17/03/20	8,000	31.900	The government increased the retail businesses discounts to 100%, with the relief applying to occupied retail, leisure and hospitality properties in the year 2020-21. Local authorities are compensated through a Section 31 grant.
New burdens funding for administering business grants	17/03/20	TBC	TBC	Funding of the new administrative burdens, including Business Rate Grants and discounts.
Emergency Active Travel Plan	12/05/20	250	25.0 for London	Department for Transport announcement of funding for reallocation of roads for walking and cycling measures. Part of £5bn investment.
Care Home Support Package	15/05/20	600	0.887	The fund is ring-fenced for social care to help care homes cover the costs of implementing measures to reduce transmission. 75% of the funding to be passed straight to care homes with discretion for local authority to distribute the residual based on need.
Transport Services Funding - buses and trams	23/05/20	283	TBC	Funding to protect and increase transport services.

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Track and Trace Action Plan Funding	22/05/20	300	2.521	Additional funding for LAs to support track and trace action plans. Each local authority will be given funding to develop tailored outbreak control plans, working with local NHS and other stakeholders.
Reopening High Street Safely Fund	24/05/20	50	0.286	Funding to support the safe reopening of high streets and other commercial areas to establish a safe trading environment for businesses and customers
Rough Sleeping Initiative	24/05/20	160	TBC	Rough Sleeping Initiative backed by £160 million in 2020-21. Brought forward capital funding already announced in Budget 2020. It was also indicated that the government is increasing the revenue support of the total programme.
Pupil Referral Units	05/06/20	7	TBC	£7m one off package for vulnerable pupils leaving alternative provision to boost support to 11,300 year 11 pupils making the transition from secondary school into post 16 education, work or training.
Unaccompanied asylum seeker care leavers (UASC)	09/06/20		TBC	Increased funding rates for unaccompanied asylum seeking children leaving care to £240 per week replacing previous rates of £150-200pw. Plus a targeted uplift of 25% for authorities who are looking after the highest numbers of UASC, who will receive a tariff of £143 per night instead of standard rate of £114 per night.
Support for Vulnerable families	10/06/20	63	TBC	Govt announces funding for LA for vulnerable families to help those who are struggling to afford food and other essentials due to coronavirus. LAs have existing mechanisms to provide this support such as cash payments, food vouchers, or alternative means of support. Estimated at £0.5m
Schools	18/06/20	583.3	TBC	Govt to fund year long national tutoring programme to catch up on lost learning £650m over 2020-21 academic year. £350m access to tuition for most disadvantaged 'National Tutoring Programme'. Not clear how funding distributed. £583m over financial year.

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Rough sleepers initiative	24/06/20	85	TBC	£85m of new funding and £20m from existing homeless and rough sleeping budgets, to provide interim support for 15,000 vulnerable people accommodated during the pandemic, and secure tenancies and short term housing. Help with deposits for accommodation, and securing alternative rooms such as student accommodation.
Building Programme	30/06/20	5,000	TBC	New Deal announced. Building programme to bring forward £5bn of capital investment projects in Education, Health, Transport, Youth and Prison service, High streets and Parks. Autumn statement expected to announce a National Infrastructure Strategy (energy, road and rail, flood defences and waste).
Measures to ease cash flow pressures on local authorities (no additional funding)				
Section 31 grant for business rates reliefs	11/03/20	1,800	9.256	Early payment of 2020-21 S31 business rates reliefs grant. Paid in one instalment in 2019-20 rather than spread through 2020-21.
Advance of social care funding	16/04/20	850	6.834	Early payment of full year social care grants rather than 4 quarterly payments.
Deferral of business rate to government	16/04/20	2,600	27.842	Payments of the business rates central share deferred.
General support for local authorities – third announcement- tax deficits over 3 years				Councils will be allowed to spread tax deficits over 3 years. Additional support likely to be announced next year.
Additional Southwark funded Covid-19 support for residents, community/voluntary sector and small businesses				
Enhancement of Southwark Emergency Support Scheme	19/03/20	NA	1.500	Release of earmarked reserves of c £1.5m for Southwark Emergency Support Scheme, previously set aside to offset pressure in future years.
Southwark Small Business Support Fund	07/04/20	NA	2.089	Release of unused Pioneer Fund resources (c £1.95m) and High Street Support Grant (c £139k) from earmarked reserves to help support small businesses

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Southwark Community Support Grant	13/04/20	NA	0.511	Release of £391k from earmarked reserve for voluntary sector to new scheme for small support grants for VS working to help tackle COVID. Additional support for tenants also available from existing council scheme (c £120k)