

Leaders'

London Councils' Urgency Report

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Summary	London Councils' urgency procedure was used to approve the London Leadership Programme (LLP): LGA Funding.
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Recommendation	Leaders are asked to note the decision taken under the urgency procedure.
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Introduction

1. The London Leadership Programme (LLP) supplements the management development that is already offered across individual London local authorities. The programme has been running since the Autumn of 2017 and, through a pilot and four cohorts, 150 London borough senior managers will have been/be offered the high-level, intensive development opportunity.
2. The programme has been funded by LGA grant (two tranches of £100,000 received to date) and participants' fees. A further £100,000 for the next two years (financial years 2019-20 and 2020-21) has been made available by the LGA to support the delivery of the programme. There is no expectation or requirement that this funding is matched by London Councils.

Reason for Urgency

3. The additional money identified by the LGA to support the LLP had to be allocated by the end of March 2019 and as such its availability was time limited. In order to secure the benefits of this funding for all London local authorities an urgent decision needed to be made. As the cumulative funding over time was more than £250,000, this was a decision for London Councils' Elected Officers in line with London Councils Financial Regulations.
4. Elected Officers were requested to support the receipt of grant for the delivery of the LLP and any future related programmes through appropriate grant agreements under the Urgency Procedure.
5. Elected Officers of Leaders' Committee were asked to agree the London Councils submission by midday on Monday 25th March 2019. The Urgency was approved.

Recommendation:

Leaders are asked to note the decision taken under the urgency procedure.

Equalities Implications:

Increasing the diversity of senior, managerial leaders across London local authorities is a key deliverable of the programme.

Financial Implications:

The Director of Corporate Resources reported that acceptance of the third tranche of funding and continuation of the programme is at nil cost to London Councils.

Legal Implications:

There are no Legal implications arising from the contents of this report.

Background paper: The Urgency Report on the London Leadership Programme (LLP): LGA Funding.