

RECORD OF DELEGATED DECISION (OFFICER)

1. Decision Reference No.	CEX398
2. Name/Title of Officer	Pranali Parikh Director for Growth and Regeneration
3. Email address of Officer	pparikh@melton.gov.uk
4. Title / Subject Matter:	UKSPF Grant – LRSN Farmers' Health Checks
5. Type of Decision:	Public
6. Key Decision?	No

7. Decision Taken:

To provide a grant to LRSN £32,597 over 2 years (£19,801 in year one, with a possible extension based on successful reporting and delivery of outcomes for £12,796 in year two) to support the continuation of the Health Checks at the cattle market to improve accessibility of health services for those in the rural, farming, and agricultural industries.

8. Reasons for Decision:

This decision is to award the grant for these services to ensure LRSN are able to continue this valuable support to those who work in the agricultural and farming sectors.

This project was agreed as part of the successful submission of the UKSPF investment plan which was approved by Cabinet on the 08 March 2023 (CA81).

9. Authority / Legal Power:

Cabinet of 08 March 2023 delegated authority to the Director for Growth and Regeneration, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity, to authorise spend and undertake decisions, approvals and awards of contract that ensure continued delivery of the UKSPF programme in line with the investment plan. This is to include, not only council led projects, but also where funding needs to be released for delivery by a third party (via grants, commissioning, procurement of services etc).

10. Background Papers attached?	No

11. Alternative options available / rejected:

1. Not to fund – this would not be in line with the UKSPF submission and the Health checks programme would ultimately have to end the provision of these services to those who find health services most difficult to access.

12. Implications:

Legal	The Council has the power to award grants to organisations using its general power of competence in section 1 of the Localism Act 2011. In exercising this power, the Council must satisfy its public law duties. In essence this means that in making the decision the Council must have considered only relevant considerations, followed procedural requirements, acted for proper motives, and not acted unreasonably. The Council's UKSPF Investment Plan sets out how the Council plans to spend UKSPF funding to support the community and bring enrichment to the Borough. The Plan sets out how it was developed. [Legal Approval - date 20 November 2023]
Finance	The full costs of this contract (£32,957) is being funded through the UKSPF programme. (£19,801 in year one, with a possible extension based on successful reporting and delivery of outcomes for £12,796 in year two). There will be no additional cost pressures placed upon the council general fund by securing these services. [Finance Approval – 24 July 2023]
HR	N/A

13. APPROVAL/SIGN OFF

Signature of Decision Maker with authority to sign (See Section 9):	Email received Pranali Parikh Director of Growth and Regeneration
Consultation with:	Cllr Pip Allnatt Leader of the Council
Date:	22/11/2023