

SPECIAL URGENCY DECISION

Leader of Council:

Name: Cllr Alyson Barnes
Date agreed: 22nd April 2026

Chair of Overview and Scrutiny:

Name: Cllr Samara Barnes
Date agreed: 22nd April 2026

Decision Taker:

Name: Rob Huntington

Details of Decision and Reasoning:

Decision to:

- Accept the Crisis and Resilience Fund (CRF) of £953,000

Rosendale Borough Council has been informed of the allocation of funding to deliver the CRF programme.

Under normal circumstances and within the Constitution, the decision to accept the grant would be via Full Council due to the value of the grant however there is not a Council meeting within the required timescale to approve the decision for the programme to commence and be ready for implementation on 1st May 2026. The next Full Council is the 6th May 2026.

Under the Constitution, the Chief Executive may agree action to safeguard the interest of the Council.

This grant is funding announced by the government to support those in crisis.

In summary, the funding aims are:

- Provide short-term emergency financial support for low-income households facing financial crisis
- To support applicants to avoid financial crisis in the future.

The funding is allocated for spend in the period 2026-2027.

The programme is to commence on the 1st May 2026 with crisis payments to those in need.

Decision to be taken by:

Rob Huntington

Documents to be considered by the decision taker:

CRF Programme

Implications:

To seek approval at the next Council meeting would delay the distribution of grants to vulnerable residents.

Status:

For Publication

Date:

22nd April 2026

NOTES

A Key Decision is defined as one that either:

- a) is, in value worth more than £100,000, or
 - b) has a **significant impact** because (for example) it either:
 - (i) affects individuals or organisations outside the Borough; or
 - (ii) will have a long term (more than 5 years) or permanent effect on the council or the borough.
1. Status - Is the issue an open and public matter or is it a private and excluded matter as described in Schedule 12 A of the Local Government Act 1972. If it is an open matter it is for publication. If it is a private matter it is not for publication and you state the reason why and the appropriate paragraph number of Schedule 12A.
 2. Implications – List any financial staffing and legal implications and remember to consult with legal, human resources and finance. Also consider implications such as LA21 Environment, Human Rights Act 1998. Equal opportunities, Community Safety, IT, Land and Property and Partnership Working.
 3. When the decision has been made and the form signed by the decision taker and the portfolio holder the form should be sent to the Committee Services Manager.