

## Key Decision Details

<b>Decision Name</b>	Housing Benefit Discretionary Housing Payment Policy
<b>Date of Decision</b>	21 March 2013
<b>Decision maker</b>	Cabinet
<b>Describe the Decision taken</b>	Approved the Discretionary Housing Payment Policy for implementation with effect from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2013.  The Policy sets out the aims of awarding discretionary housing payments and needs to be in place to alleviate the problems likely to emerge from the changes in welfare payments
<b>What were the reasons for taking the Decision?</b>	
<b>What alternative options were considered and rejected?</b>	None
<b>Conflict of interest and dispensation</b>	None
<b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b>	Yes
<b>Was the decision included in the Forward Plan</b>	Yes
<b>Was the decision subject to the urgency proceedings?</b>	No
<b>List the background papers to any report considered by the Decision Taker</b>	
<b>Person Making this report</b>	Julia Barber, Head of Customer Services Mrs Helen Taylor
<b>Date upon which the Decision will come into force, subject to no call-in</b>	29 March 2013
<b>Accompanying Documents</b>	The Discretionary Financial Assistance Regulations 2001 DWP Guidance Manual including Local Authority Good Practice Guide DWP Subsidy Circular S1/2013 DHP Policy Review 2013 Report to Members March 2013 (2) DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENT POLICY1 (2)

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