

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF DECISION

SUBJECT: COUNCIL GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WESTMINSTER COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION

Notice is hereby given that the Leader of the Council has made the following executive decision on the above mentioned subject for the reasons set out below.

Summary of Decision

That the Leader of the Council approved that:

- For a fixed period of 12 months to 28 February 2019 the council fundraises on behalf of the Trust to support youth services in Westminster, helping rough sleepers off the streets at night in Westminster, and helping lonely and isolated people in Westminster. All fundraising activities undertaken by the council shall comply with the Code of Fundraising Practice issued by the Fundraising Regulator (an independent regulator of charitable fundraising)
- Any fundraising activity undertaken by the council after 28 February 2019 require a further formal decision by the council.
- In the event contributions under the scheme are made direct to the council the City Treasurer makes provision to transfer to the Trust any such contributions unless otherwise specified by the contributor.
- The Chief Executive make provision to provide administrative and financial support to the charity as deemed mutually appropriate between them and the trustees of the charity
- The council comply with data processing principles when soliciting donations from the residents on behalf of the charity.

Reasons for Decision

Between 17 November 2017 and 15 December 2017 the council consulted with all Band H council tax paying properties on a proposal to allow people living in the city's most expensive homes to pay a voluntary contribution to support local services. The consultation found a significant showing of support for the scheme. A copy of the consultation document is appended to the report at Appendix 1.

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