



North Tyneside Council

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Our Ref: JP/Capital

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Julie Cruddas
Justice Prince CIC
Oxford Centre,
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NE12 8LT

5 August 2024

Re: Minimal financial assistance notification under Section 37 of The Subsidy Control Act 2022 – Capital Grant Funding – UKSPF Communities and place.

North Tyneside Council considers that the financial assistance we are proposing to give you in respect of the above project will be a subsidy for the purposes of section 2 of the Subsidy Control Act 2022 ("**the Act**").

Under the Minimal Financial Assistance ("**MFA**") rules contained in section 36 of the Act, the Council and other public authorities are allowed to award low value subsidies without needing to comply with the majority of the subsidy control requirements. MFA has a financial threshold so no organisation* can receive more than £315,000 over the applicable period. The applicable period is:

- The elapsed part of the current financial year (i.e., from 1 April 2024), and
- the two financial years immediately preceding the current financial year

The £315,000 limit over this time period includes all MFA awards under the Act, but also:

- (i) any previous subsidy your organisation* has received which was provided under the £325,000 Special Drawing Rights allowance set out in Article 364 of Chapter 3 of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement ("**TCA**")

and

- (ii) any previous *de minimis* State aid your organisation* received under any of the EU Regulations listed in section 42(8)(c) of the Act;

and

- (iii) any SPEI financial assistance awards under section 38 of the Act

within the applicable period above.

You must cumulate all of the above support together when assessing your organisation's* eligibility to receive MFA support.

Section 37 notification

This letter is a minimal financial assistance notification under section 37 of the Act, explaining that the Council is proposing to give your organisation* a subsidy by way of minimal financial assistance. The gross value amount of that assistance is **£78385.00** To progress the award of this assistance, we now request written confirmation from your organisation* that the £315,000 limit above will not be exceeded by your organisation* receiving the proposed assistance. Please sign and return the below declaration to Caroline Donaldson at the above address.


Record keeping obligations

We take this opportunity to remind your organisation that you are required to keep a written record of the amount of MFA you have received and the date/s when it was received. The written record must be kept for at least three years beginning with the date on which the MFA was given. This will enable you to respond to future requests from public authorities on how much MFA you have received and whether you have reached the cumulative threshold above.

Please note the confirmation below must be sent by someone who is authorised to do so on behalf of your organisation. Please also refer to Notes 1 and 2 below before signing.

Confirmation

I confirm, for and on behalf of Justice prince CIC, that receipt of MFA of £78385.00 from North Tyneside Council will not exceed the MFA threshold of £315,000 as specified in section 36(1) of the Subsidy Control Act 2022.

Name of signatory	Julie Cruddas
Signature	
Date	1/8/24

Signatory's declaration:

I am an authorised signatory for the recipient organisation* named above and declare that the information contained in this declaration is true and accurate.

I acknowledge that, if our organisation fails to meet the eligibility requirements set out in this letter, we may become liable to repay any subsidy received in this case.

***Note 1:** The MFA financial threshold applies at company group level. *References to "You" and "your organisation" in the context of this letter means not only your organisation, but also any enterprises linked to your organisation - for example, companies within the same group. The declaration above must also account for any relevant subsidy or aid they have received.*

***Note 2:** *A relevant previous subsidy and/or State aid in this context of this letter may have included grant funding, or other benefits such as loans granted on favourable terms, or free or subsidised services. If you are in any doubt as to whether such previous support was provided under the TCA special drawing rights allowance, or De Minimis Aid Regulations, please include it when calculating your eligibility for this MFA award. Any funding awards or similar which were not provided to your organisation under the special drawing rights allowance in the TCA, or De Minimis Aid Regulations, do not need to be taken into account for the purposes of calculating your eligibility to receive MFA.*

Yours sincerely,

Caroline Donaldson

Community Partnership Advisor