

Chesterfield Borough Council Additional Restrictions Taxi Grant Scheme – Addendum 16 February 2021

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Chesterfield Borough Council has revised the Additional Restrictions Grant eligibility criteria which is available for Taxi Drivers.

2.0 Scope of the Fund

2.1 The council is providing up to £360,000 to support Taxi Drivers who have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

2.2 The grant scheme will be open for applications until 31 March 2021.

2.3 To be eligible for a grant under this scheme, taxi drivers must hold a valid taxi, private hire or contract drivers licence issued by Chesterfield Borough Council before 1 January 2021.

3.0 Evidence which must be provided

3.1 You will need to provide your taxi licence number.

3.2 You will need to provide a copy of your latest bank statement.

3.3 New applicants will be required to register for an online account through the secure 'My Chesterfield' customer portal, which can be accessed from the Council website at www.chesterfield.gov.uk. The online application form for the Additional Restrictions Grant can be accessed through the 'My Chesterfield' portal. If a business needs help to apply they can call our Customer Service Centre on 01246 345345, and our Customer Services Advisors will be able to assist.

3.4 Grant payments will be paid to eligible taxi drivers within 7 days of grant approval.

3.5 The Council reserves the right to vary the terms of the scheme at any time, and without notice, should it be necessary to do so.

4.0 State aid

4.1 There is a requirement for all grants made under this scheme to be state aid compliant, please see the further guidance on this at [State Aid Guidance](#).

5.0 Grant amounts and how payments will be made

5.1 A flat payment of £500 is available to each taxi driver who is licenced by Chesterfield Borough Council.

6.0 Other information

6.1 Grant income received by a business is taxable therefore funding paid under the Additional Restrictions will be subject to tax. Only businesses which make an overall profit once grant income is included will be subject to tax.

6.2 The Government and the Council will not accept deliberate manipulation and fraud and any driver caught falsifying their records to gain grant money will face prosecution and any funding issued will be subject to claw back, as may any grants paid in error.

7.3 Taxi drivers are required to declare that by accepting the grant payment, they confirm that they meet the criteria for the grant scheme and that the information they have provided is accurate.

7.4 Taxi drivers are required to declare that any payments accepted will be in compliance with State Aid requirements.

7.5 The Council does not accept any liability for any issues that may arise for taxi drivers because of applying for, receiving, or not receiving grant payments under this scheme.

7.6 Enquiries about the scheme should be emailed to grants@chesterfield.gov.uk