



Budget Amendment Form

Amendment Name:	Household support Fund Crisis / Kent Support & Assistance Service	Amendment Number:	12
Directorate:	Deputy Chief Executive's Department		
Proposer:	Paul Thomas	Seconded:	Oliver Bradshaw
Proposed Purpose:			
<p>This amendment seeks to reduce political administrative costs and recognise the cost-of-living crisis Increasing the Crisis and Resilience fund together with reinstating a base budget to the Kent Support and Assistance Service.</p> <p>Removal of the Political Assistants funding and a reduction in Cabinet / Deputy Cabinet Member Allowances or positions funding (Executive SRAs) would provide the funding for this.</p>			
Proposed Amount		Proposed Funding Source:	
<p>£200k total.</p> <p>£100k increase to the household support Crisis& resilience fund (formerly managed via the Household Support Grant). This is topping up an existing Government Grant.</p> <p>£100k to reinstate a specific base budget for Kent Support & Assistance Service, which is a discretionary service.</p>		<p>Reduce funding allocation to Member Allowances by £60k (deliverable via reduction in appointment to Cabinet Member and Deputy Cabinet Member posts) – note any finalisation of the budget allocation for Allowances to be dependent on future MRP informed Full Council decisions regarding the overall Member Allowance Scheme for 2026-2030.</p> <p>Remove Political Assistants funding (£140K)</p>	