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Ref: GD 31/3634
20th March 2019

Dear Phil,

Clean Air Fund - Capital

This statement is to confirm I have received clearance to make a grant payment of £27,720,000.00 of capital funding to Birmingham City Council under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003. I attach a signed Grant Determination Form. You will also receive two separate letters, informing you of your revenue award under the Clean Air Fund, and a capital award from the Implementation Fund.

This funding is to help you support individuals and businesses who will be affected by your local plan to reach legal nitrogen dioxide compliance in the shortest possible time. The projects that are supported are listed in Annex B.

The conditions of the grant and the monitoring and reporting expectations are also outlined in Annex B. The first reporting submission is expected by 30th June 2019 and subsequent quarterly submissions. If this funding is not exhausted delivering the projects set out in Annex B we will request it to be used for delivering air quality improvements and/or supporting individuals and businesses affected by local air quality plans.

Should you require to change any element of the project this must be discussed with JAQU as soon as possible, any substantial change may require a variation. Your acceptance of the award of this grant payment will be made by signing the below. No other form of acknowledgement will be accepted. Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications relating to this grant.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

ANDREW JACKSON

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Jackson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

HEAD OF THE JOINT AIR QUALITY UNIT

NO₂ PLAN CLEAN AIR FUND GRANT DETERMINATION 2019: No 31/3634.

The Secretary of State for Transport (“the Secretary of State”), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, makes the following determination:

Citation

1) This determination may be cited as the NO₂ Plan Clean Air Fund 2019 No31/3634.

Purpose of the grant

2) The purpose of the grant is to provide funding to local authorities in England to help them support individuals and businesses who will be affected by their local plans to reach legal nitrogen dioxide compliance in the shortest possible time.

Determination

3) The Secretary of State determines as the authorities to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid, the authorities and the amounts set out in Annex A.

Grant conditions

4) Pursuant to section 31(3) and 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003, the Secretary of State determines that the grant will be paid subject to the conditions in Annex B.

Treasury consent

5) Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Secretary of State obtained the consent of the Treasury.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport.

Richard Bruce

Director of Energy, Technology, and Innovation

20th March 2019

ANNEX A


Capital allocation for the 2018/19 financial year

Authority to which grant is to be paid	Amount of grant to be paid
Birmingham City Council	£27,720,000.00

Signed for on behalf of Birmingham City Council

Name	
Title	
Signature	
Date	

Signed for on behalf of the Joint Air Quality Unit

Name	Jenny Ward
Title	Deputy Head of JAQU
Signature	
Date	20 th March 2019

Annex B: Grant Projects and Conditions

Grant Conditions

1. Grant paid to a local authority under this determination may be used only for the purposes that a capital receipt may be used for in accordance with regulations made under section 11 of the Local Government Act 2003.

2. The Chief Executive and Chief Internal Auditor of each of the recipient authorities are required to sign and return to the team leader of JAQU of the Department for Transport a declaration, to be received no later than by 31st March 2020, in the following terms:

“To the best of our knowledge and belief, and having carried out appropriate investigations and checks, in our opinion, in all significant respects, the conditions attached to NO₂ Plan Clean Air Fund: No31/3634 have been complied with”.

3. If an authority fails to comply with any of the conditions and requirements of paragraphs 1 and 2, the Minister of State may reduce, suspend or withhold grant; or by notification in writing to the authority, require the repayment of the whole or any part of the grant.

4. Any sum notified by the Minister of State under paragraph 3(b) shall immediately become repayable to the Minister.

5. Monitoring and evaluation of measures in the local plan will need to be carried out in accordance with guidance on Huddle.

Birmingham City Council will be required to submit quarterly monitoring reports detailing progress with the implementation of the local plan. The first reporting submission is expected by 30th June 2019. In addition to specific reporting on the above measures, this will include the provision of:

- Existing air quality monitoring such as diffusion tubes and continuous analysers.
- Existing and planned relevant transport monitoring such as traffic surveys.

Evidence may also be requested to support use of funding, such as contracts, contractor reports, invoices and timesheets.

6. Should you require to change any element of the project this must be discussed with JAQU as soon as possible, any substantial change may require a variation.

Grant Projects

The funding awards have been made on the basis of the information submitted as part of your Full Business Case and we require you to deliver the measures in line with the information provided. A high-level summary of the projects supported, their costs, implementation timelines, and monitoring and evaluation requirements has been included below.

This grant letter deals specifically with your capital allocation – the revenue allocation is dealt with in a separate letter.

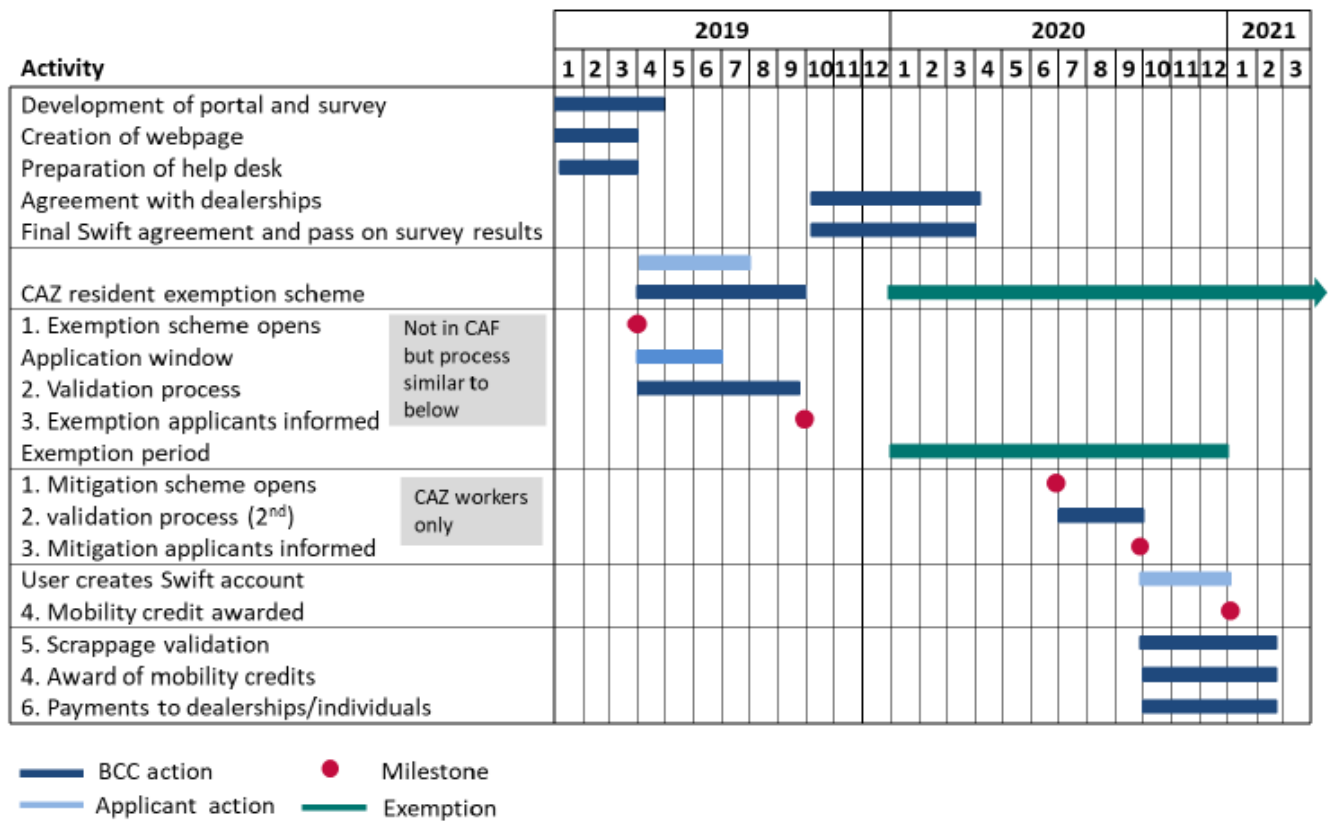
Projects supported

Measures	Description	Amount (Capital)
Mobility support for individuals working within the CAZ (M1a)	This will provide individuals working within (but living outside) the CAZ with £1000-2000 of support depending on what option they choose (mobility credit, scrappage-for-mobility credit, or scrappage-for-vehicle-support)	£5,420,000*
Hackney carriage support package (M2a)	This will support hackney carriage drivers to either retrofit or upgrade their vehicles (£5,000 of support per vehicle).	£2,500,000
Council Hackney carriage leasing scheme (M2b)	This will support hackney carriage drivers who do not want to purchase a new vehicle as they are only going to be working for a few more months/years.	£2,750,000
Private Hire Vehicle upgrade support (M2c)	This will support PHV drivers to upgrade their vehicles (£1000-2,000 of support per vehicle depending on what upgrade Euro 6 - ULEV).	£7,000,000
HGV & Coach compliance fund (M4)	This will support HGV and coach operators to retrofit or upgrade their vehicles (£15,000 of support per vehicle).	£10,050,000
TOTAL		£27,720,000

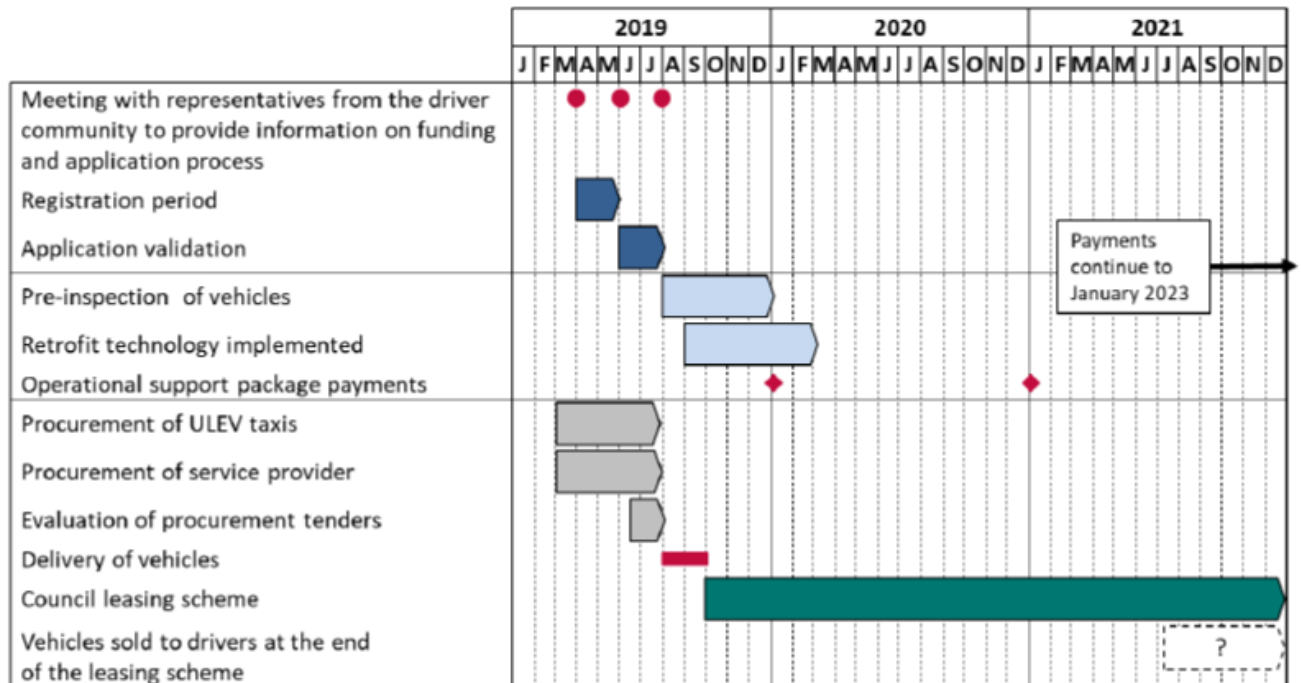
*A further £5,420,000 of revenue support for this measure is set out in a separate letter. As set out in the letter from Minister Coffey to Cllr Ward on 11 March this funding is being provided with a condition that a minimum of 50% of this funding is delivered through the scrappage-to-mobility-credit part of the measure.

Implementation Timeline

Timeline for M1a (and exemptions)



Timeline for M2a, M2b and M2c (with timelines for M2c mirroring those for M2a)



Timeline for M4

