

Request 8515 – Event Supplier and Services Association

1. How much Local Restrictions Support Grant (LRSG) government funding has South Cambridgeshire received in total?
2. In total, how much LRSG funding have South Cambridgeshire awarded to businesses by 26th January 2021?
3. How much LRSG funding does South Cambridgeshire currently hold that by 26th January 2021 has not been awarded?
4. How many businesses outside of the remit of Hospitality, Leisure and Retail have you awarded discretionary LRSG grants to?
5. How much Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) government funding has South Cambridgeshire received in total?
6. In total, how much ARG funding have South Cambridgeshire awarded to businesses by 26th January 2021?
7. How much ARG funding does South Cambridgeshire currently hold that by 26th January 2021 has not been awarded?
8. How many businesses outside of the remit of Hospitality, Leisure and Retail have you awarded discretionary ARG grants to?

Response

1. How much Local Restrictions Support Grant (LRSG) government funding has South Cambridgeshire received in total?

Our allocation for the various grant schemes offered to South Cambridgeshire District Council since November from Central Government is as follows:

- £1,431,000 LRSG A
- £547,628 LRSG Closed
- £206,460 LRSG Open
- £64,000 Wet led Pubs
- £4,594,889 ARG
- £2,141,121 LRSG Closed Addendum

- £4,293,000 CBLP

2. In total, how much LRSG funding have South Cambridgeshire awarded to businesses by 26th January 2021?

We had awarded £1,190,557 as at 26th January 2021. Our total to date as at 14 February 2020 is £5,955,586.

3. How much LRSG funding does South Cambridgeshire currently hold that by 26th January 2021 has not been awarded?

As at 26 January, £12,087,541 funds were remaining, however a significant proportion was further allocated on our software system to likely eligible businesses pending verification checks. By 22/2/21, we will have awarded over 65% of total funds allocated to us.

4. How many businesses outside of the remit of Hospitality, Leisure and Retail have you awarded discretionary LRSG grants to?

We are not able to provide an accurate granular, sector specific breakdown at this stage as our software system is not set up to do so. We can confirm, we have assisted 1,416 businesses to date (14/2/21) with an LRSG payment.

5. How much Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) government funding has South Cambridgeshire received in total?

As outlined under first question: £4,594,889 ARG.

6. In total, how much ARG funding have South Cambridgeshire awarded to businesses by 26th January 2021?

As at 26 January, we had awarded £334,738 in ARG payments.

7. How much ARG funding does South Cambridgeshire currently hold that by 26th January 2021 has not been awarded?

As of 26 January 2021, £4,250,151 ARG funds were remaining however, not necessarily unallocated. Due to the volume of transactions and applications, there is an inevitable time lag between processing and payment. As of 14/2/21, £2,766,524 ARG remains pending (though not necessarily unallocated).

8. How many businesses outside of the remit of Hospitality, Leisure and Retail have you awarded discretionary ARG grants to?

As outlined in an earlier question, due to the setup of our system, we are unable to provide a precise, sectoral breakdown at this stage. We can confirm that in total as at 14/1/21 we have assisted 759 businesses with an ARG payment. We can confirm that we have assisted businesses in the UK supply and service companies to the exhibition, conference and wider events industry i.e. none of our policies have excluded that sector from ARG applications. Illustratively, we have supported audio-visual equipment groups, educational events providers, exhibition companies, Digital production supply chain to events, events management etc.