

Dear [Name of Aid Recipient]

**Confirmation of State aid received under the Covid-19 Temporary Framework for UK Authorities measure and Undertaking in Difficulty Status and de minimis aid given in relation to the Services of General Economic Interest Decision (SGEI) 2012/21/EU – Warwickshire County Council Grants to Care Homes**

Following the outbreak of the Coronavirus, the European Commission has approved schemes to aid businesses affected by the Coronavirus outbreak on the basis of their Temporary Framework, including the Covid-19 Temporary Framework measure for the UK. The Warwickshire County Council Grants to Care Homes Scheme is state aid assistance provided under the Temporary Framework and de minimis aid given in relation to the Services of General Economic Interest Decision (SGEI) 2012/21/EU.

The maximum level of aid that a company may receive under the Covid-19 Temporary Framework measure is €800 000 (currently £699,024). This is across all UK measures under the terms of the European Commission's Temporary Framework. Please read the accompanying guidance.

Aid given in relation to the Services of General Economic Interest Decision (SGEI) 2012/21/EU is de minimis if in a three-year period the undertaking has not received more than €500,000 (currently £436,890) of aid.

The Euro equivalent of the Sterling aid amount is calculated using the Commission Exchange rate applicable on the date the aid is offered.

Any aid provided under this measure will be relevant if you wish to apply, or have applied, for any other aid granted based on the European Commission's Temporary Framework. You will need to declare this amount to any other aid awarding body who requests information from you on how much aid you have received.

You must retain this letter for four years after the conclusion of the UK's transition from the EU and produce it on any request from the UK public authorities or the European Commission.

Aid may be granted to undertakings that were not in difficulty (within the meaning of Article 2(18) of the General Block Exemption Regulation) on 31 December 2019, but that faced difficulties or entered in difficulty thereafter as a result of the Covid-19 outbreak. Examples of company in difficulties are set out in the enclosed guidance.

Aid under the Covid-19 Temporary Framework measure is in addition to any aid given in relation to the Services of General Economic Interest Decision (SGEI) 2012/21/EU or any aid that you may have received under the De Minimis regulation allowing aid of up to €200,000 (currently £174,756) to any one organisation over a three fiscal year period (i.e. your current fiscal year and previous two fiscal years), and any other approved aid you have received under other State aid rules, such as aid granted under the General Block Exemption Regulation.

**You do not need to declare any aid you have received through the following schemes**

**Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme** - The Job Retention Scheme (JRS) is not subject to the EUR 800,000 cap as it is not a selective measure and, as such, it should not distort EU competition. The JRS is a wage subsidy which is in principle applicable to all companies, including non-UK companies which have UK employees and operate PAYE.

**Payment deferrals of a general nature** – Tax payment deferrals are also considered to be outside the scope of the state aid rules to the extent that they are not selectively applied. Time to Pay arrangements and VAT payment deferrals should therefore not be subject to state aid rules.

**Business rates relief** – According to the UK Government's guidance (as updated on 2 April 2020) the Government's assessment is that, given the impact of COVID-19 in the sectors receiving the relief, the Expanded Retail Discount for 2020-21 is not state aid.

Please complete and sign the attached statement confirming your eligibility for support and return to [insert who/where to]

[Yours sincerely/ faithfully]

**Confirmation of State aid received under the Covid-19 Temporary Framework for UK Authorities and Undertaking in Difficulty status – Warwickshire County Council Grants to Care Homes**

I confirm that I have received the following aid under measures approved within the European Commission’s Temporary Framework between March 2020 and December 2020.

I confirm that my organisation was not in difficulty (within the meaning of Article 2(18) of the General Block Exemption Regulation) on 31 December 2019.

I understand that if I have misrepresented the amount of aid I have received the Council may recover the all or any part of the grant given by the Council and charge interest on that grant from the date the grant was given.

<b>Body providing assistance/aid</b>	<b>Value of assistance (£)</b>	<b>Date of Assistance</b>

**DECLARATION**

Organisation name and registered address	
Representative name	
Signature	
Date	