

**Guidance for Businesses in East Lindsey – Policy Addendum 1**

1. This policy addendum updates elements of the guidance outlined in our original Additional Restrictions Grant Closed (ARG C) policy (Version 1: [https://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/media/17467/ELDC-Additional-Restrictions-Grant-Closed-Guidance-v-1/pdf/ELDC\\_ARG\\_C\\_Guidance\\_v.1.pdf?m=637430145360100000](https://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/media/17467/ELDC-Additional-Restrictions-Grant-Closed-Guidance-v-1/pdf/ELDC_ARG_C_Guidance_v.1.pdf?m=637430145360100000)) and allows East Lindsey District Council (ELDC) to make additional, automated payments to eligible business that successfully applied to the ARG C for the November National Lockdown (05/11/20 to 02/12/20).
2. This addendum is in line with the provision 3.11 of our original policy which stated: ***The Council reserves the right to vary the terms of the scheme at any time should it be necessary to do so.***
3. 2.5 of our original policy stated: ***This grant is a one-off payment and only covers the four week period (Nov 5th 2020 to Dec 2nd 2020) a business has closed due to National restrictions.*** This addendum updates and changes the original policy to enable payments, moving forwards, to be made on a monthly (calendar) basis, for as long as restrictions force eligible non-rated businesses to remain closed by law – for example, eligible businesses that successfully applied to the ARG C for the November National Lockdown (05/11/20 to 02/12/20) will be automatically paid:

- December 2020 ARG C Payment for the tier restrictions = £1,334 ( e.g. accommodation provides, but not hairdressers etc. – see below)
- January 2021 ARG C Payment for National Lockdown (January) = £1,334

For more information regarding which businesses are required to close by law, please go to:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/further-businesses-and-premises-to-close/closing-certain-businesses-and-venues-in-england> (Tier information);  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home?priority-taxon=774cee22-d896-44c1-a611-e3109cce8eae> (National Lockdown).

4. ELDC's decision is final and there is no right to appeal eligibility for a Tier payment.
5. Should all restrictions end before the end of a full month, eligible businesses that successfully applied to the ARG C for the November National Lockdown (05/11/20 to 02/12/20) will be automatically paid on a half-month pro-rata payment basis. For example:
  - Restrictions end on 15<sup>th</sup> February, ARG C Payment for February 2021 = £667
6. All qualifying businesses (that successfully applied to the ARG C for the November National Lockdown 05/11/20 to 02/12/20) will be emailed with notification of an automated payment, with details of how to notify us of any change to their circumstances which impact their eligibility for that grant payment.
7. These changes are intended to bring the ARG Closed into closer alignment with the Local Restrictions Support Grant Closed Addendum and Local Restrictions Support Grant Closed which is paid to eligible closed rated businesses throughout periods of restricted (closed) trading.
8. All other (non-date specific) criteria remain the same as the original policy.