

Annex 1

The table below shows how KCC intends to target vulnerable households.

| Provision of support, and rationale | How it is targeted and accessed | Comments |
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| <p>Supermarket vouchers during the Christmas, February and Easter school holidays, to support low income families whose children would be receiving a daily meal when at school, but need to be fed at home during the school holidays.</p> | <p>All families in receipt of benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM) will automatically receive vouchers, without having to apply.</p> <p>Children who currently do not have a school place but are known to meet the criteria will automatically receive vouchers.</p> <p>Processes are being put in place to identify vulnerable children who meet the benefits-related FSM criteria but who are not in school (either elective home education or children missing education)</p> <p>Children receiving Early Years Pupil Premium and Free for Two services will also receive vouchers – parents will be contacted directly by.</p> | <p>There may be families with children in Yr 2 or below who have not registered for benefits-related FSM because all young children automatically receive FSM. These families will be encouraged to apply so that they can receive the vouchers (and also schools will then receive Pupil Premium for those children).</p> |
| <p>Funding to District and Borough Councils to support vulnerable households, distributed on the same population/deprivation formula used by DWP to allocate the Fund.</p> | <p>This will be locally targeted at families known to District Council staff or the voluntary organisations they are working with.</p> <p>To include families in temporary accommodation</p> <p>To include vulnerable adults without children</p> | <p>Some of this funding will be used to enhance Food Bank provision, alongside the Government's additional support to Food Banks.</p> <p>Districts will work with particular groups, for example those with very high levels of deprivation or other characteristics that make them more vulnerable during Covid.</p> |

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| | To be targeted at those local communities facing particularly severe deprivation. | |
| Funding for vulnerable households via KCC services | <p>Kent Support and Assistance Service will be the key vehicle for distributing support from KCC. The following groups should also be targeted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early years – from pregnancy to age 2, as they will not be getting Free School Meal vouchers. • Care Leavers • Disabled young adults (18-24) • Young Carers • People with No Recourse to Public Funds • Families with multiple challenges • Adults with Disabilities | <p>Adult Social Care will identify vulnerable adults they are supporting in the community</p> <p>Health Visitors and Maternity services will identify vulnerable families with young children and expectant parents who may not otherwise be known to CYPE.</p> <p>Early Help will continue to use their existing signposting - they already identify vulnerable families and help them get the support they need.</p> |
| Funding to utility companies to reduce fuel and water bills for those in financial hardship. | Criteria will be developed with the utilities companies to focus support on those facing greatest financial hardship. | We will develop a trusted partner status arrangement whereby we agree criteria and the company can then confirm how many households meet that criteria for us to pass the funding to them to deduct from their bills. |
| Funding for fuel poverty voucher and support scheme | This will be targeted at households who are low income or in financial distress. Access will be through trusted partners such as district and borough councils. | |