

ASCH DMT – 10 February 2026

Crisis and Resilience Fund

DMT noted the report:

- Flagged The report has been to CSD DMT with significant engagement already. It will now go to CMT and LM for C&F and ASCH.
- Agreed to provide quarterly reporting and DMT updates for the first two quarters, then review the approach.
- Previously agreed a £90k admin fee for delivering HSF. CRF is expected to require more administration across ASC, PH and CSD. Costs are estimates for now; [REDACTED] will confirm staffing budget implications.
- Proposed that future oversight shifts from DMT to MAFISG, with the reference group likely evolving into a Steering Group under MAFISG, potentially becoming an oversight board.
- A key change is the end of Hugge vouchers, though we've committed to continuing them for the next two school holidays to phase out support.
- Once LM reports are published, we can begin work with partners and legal similar to the HSF process. Aim to be operational by July. £850k of Hugge vouchers are scheduled from 1 April, acknowledging the usual time lag before support reaches residents. Future years should run more smoothly after Year 1 setup.
- Agreed to arrange a members briefing potentially April/May — [REDACTED] to follow up.

DMT noted the background to CRF and the work that is completed and ongoing to develop our local East Sussex CRF Delivery Plan, and agreed in principle to the overall approach and high-level Delivery Plan Framework, noting that detail will be further developed