

Legal & Governance Services Director – Hugh Peart

Public Notice

Leader Decision Meeting - Thursday 18 February 2021 at 4.00pm

Pursuant to Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 notice is hereby given that the Leader of the Council proposes to take a Key Decision at the Leader Decision Meeting to be held virtually on Thursday 18 February 2021:

'Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Grant Funding'

The reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 was impracticable is that:

- (1) At the time of the publication of the Key Decision Schedule or prior to its publication, it could not have been envisaged that a Leader's Decision meeting would be required. The decision cannot wait until the next scheduled meeting of Cabinet on 18 March 2021 as a confirmation to Salix Finance, the Scheme administrators, was required by the Government's deadline of 20th February 2021, that the Council was prepared to accept any awarded grant funding, such funding to be paid in advance prior to the 20/21 financial year end for delivery of works in the next financial year.
- (2) The decision was urgent in order to meet the above deadline.

The agreement of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been obtained that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Additionally, the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has waived call-in and agreed that the decision proposed is reasonable in the circumstances and should be treated as a matter of urgency as any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's interests for the following reason: the Government's deadline of 20 February 2021 was before the next Cabinet meeting.

Director of Legal and Governance Services Date: 10 February 2021

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