

# **Portfolio Holder Decision Meeting**

## **AGENDA**

**DATE:** Friday 15 May 2020

**TIME:** 10.00 am

**VENUE:** Virtual Meeting - Online

### **MEMBERSHIP**

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Councillor Graham Henson - Leader of the Council; Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution & Customer Services Portfolio Holder

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE 1**

# **PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION (PHD) MEETING FRIDAY 15 MAY 2020 at 10.00am**

Pursuant to Regulation 11 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 Portfolio Holder Decision (PHD) Meeting to be held on Friday 15 May 2020 virtually:

### **'Temporary Additional Funding to Providers for COVID Related Costs'**

The reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 or 10 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 was impracticable is that:

There have been two government announcements in terms of additional funding for local authorities to meet additional COVID related costs and there is an expectation that local authorities will support social care providers. Allocating funding to providers in the most expedient way will meet the government's expectations and support care providers through the COVID 19 emergency;

At the time of the publication of the Key Decision Schedule or prior to its publication, it could not have been envisaged that a meeting would be required.

The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed that the meeting is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred. Additionally, the Chair of 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 or the public's interests for the following reasons:

The decision is urgent and cannot wait until the scheduled meeting of Cabinet on 21 May as this would delay the allocation of payments to Harrow's care providers who are supporting the most vulnerable residents. Allocation of the funding as soon as possible will also support the NHS in terms of hospital discharges and their response to COVID 19 crisis.



Director of Legal and Governance Services  
Date: 11 May 2020

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