Burnley Borough Council

Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Agreement of Scrutiny Committee Chair under Regulation 11 (1) (a) and 11 (2) (a) and (b)

Under these Regulations the Council is required to give 28 days' notice if it intends to hold a meeting of the Executive or a decision will be delegated to an Officer in private or partly in private. This is done on occasions where there is a report which contains confidential information. If the Council is not able to give the required notice it must obtain the agreement of the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred and publish a copy of that notice.

The Council is also required to give 28 days' notice if it intends to make a key decision and is required to give at least 5 days' notice if it intends to make an urgent key decision.

If the Council is not able to give the required notice it must obtain the agreement of the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee or other relevant person for the decision to be made as a case of special urgency, and then give notice of the reasons why the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Set out overleaf is a notice given in line with these requirements – the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred for the reason stated.

Due to the urgency of the implementation of the decision, the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee, has given Urgency agreement on 5th March 2024. The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee has also agreed on 5th March 2024 to waive call-in for this decision.

Please note that the Chief Executive intends to consider the following key decision in public on 7th March 2024.

Key Decision	Reason decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred
To seek approval to accept additional funding from the Home Office to deliver a further three homes for continued use as temporary accommodation for general housing needs purposes.	The reason the report is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred is because the Home Office deadline for receipt of the signed amended Memorandum of Understanding is 11th March 2024. Failure to submit would put the additional funding at risk.

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