

Burnley Borough Council

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

Key Decisions

Notice to Scrutiny Committee Chair under Regulation 10 (1) (a)

Under these Regulations the Council is required to give 28 days notice if it intends to hold a meeting of the Executive 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 below is a notice given in line with these requirements – the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred for the reason stated.

The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee has given agreement to this on 9th October 2020. The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee has also agreed on 9th October 2020 to waive call-in due to the urgency of the decision. Please note that the Chief Executive intends to consider the following key decision report by the 13th October 2020.

It has not been possible to give the required 28 days' notice for the reason set out below:

Key Decision	Reason why 28 day notice could not be given/was impracticable
To seek Executive approval for the council to enter into an agreement with Lancashire County Council to receive a grant that will fund the local response to the COVID outbreak.	The reason for urgency is to approve and implement with immediate effect due to anticipated Government announcement in relation to local restrictions.

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