

URGENT DECISIONS

Head of Service: Ian Dyer, Head of Operational Services
Wards affected: (All Wards);
Urgent Decision?(yes/no) No
If yes, reason urgent decision required:
Appendices (attached): N/A

Summary

To report to Committee the decisions taken by the Chief Executive and Directors on the grounds of urgency, in compliance with Appendix 2 to the Constitution – The Scheme of Delegation paragraph 3.1.

Recommendation (s)

The Committee is asked to:

(1) To note the urgent decision taken and the reason for that decision.

1 Reason for Recommendation

1.1 To report to Committee the decisions taken by the Chief Executive and Directors on the grounds of urgency, in compliance with Appendix 2 to the Constitution – The Scheme of Delegation paragraph 3.1.

2 Background

2.1 Appendix 2 to the Constitution – The scheme of delegation sets out at Paragraph 3.1 that the Chief Executive and Directors are authorised to take decisions on grounds of urgency regarding matters which would otherwise be reserved for determination by a Committee or Council. A matter can be deemed urgent if, in the reasonable opinion of the Officer concerned, a delay would seriously prejudice the interest of the Council or of the public and it is not practicable to convene a quorate meeting of the relevant decision-making body in sufficient time to take the decision.

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- 2.2 Since the last meeting of the Committee, one urgent decision has been taken by the Interim Director of Environment, Housing and Regeneration in consultation with the Chair, Cllr John Beckett, and published in Member News in line with the Council's Constitution, Appendix 2, Paragraph 3.1. iii. The decision is set out below.
- 2.3 Decision 1 – to approve the submission of the Council's consultation responses to Defra on 'Simpler Recycling', via its online response link.
- 2.4 Urgency reason 1 – the deadline for responding was 20/11/23 which is before the next meeting of the committee.

3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

- 3.1 Equality Impact Assessment
 - 3.1.1 None arising from this report.
- 3.2 Crime & Disorder
 - 3.2.1 None arising from this report.
- 3.3 Safeguarding
 - 3.3.1 None arising from this report.
- 3.4 Dependencies
 - 3.4.1 None arising from this report.
- 3.5 Other
 - 3.5.1 None arising from this report.

4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 Financial implications are included within each decision form.
- 4.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** None for the purposes of this report.

5 Legal Implications

- 5.1 Legal implications are included within each decision form.
- 5.2 **Legal Officer's comments:** None for the purposes of this report.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

- 6.1 **Council's Key Priorities:** The following Key Priorities are engaged:
 - To strengthen the Council's financial independence.

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- To encourage and support business creation and growth.

6.2 **Service Plans:** The matter is included within the current Service Delivery Plan.

6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations:** None arising from this report.

6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications:** None arising from this report.

6.5 **Partnerships:** Not applicable to this report.

7 Background papers

7.1 The Urgent decision has already been published on Members News.