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#### **URGENT DECISIONS**

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Wards affected: (All Wards);

Urgent Decision?(yes/no) no

If yes, reason urgent decision

required:

Appendices (attached):

## Summary

To report to the Council two decisions taken by the Acting Director Corporate Services on the grounds of urgency, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution

## Recommendation (s)

#### The Committee is asked to:

(1) Note the urgent decisions taken and the reasons for those decisions

#### 1 Reason for Recommendation

1.1 To report to the Council a decision taken by the Acting Director of Corporate Services on the grounds of urgency, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

#### 2 Background

2.1 The scheme of delegation sets out 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 Council two urgent decisions have been taken by the Acting Director of Corporate Services in consultation with the Chair Cllr Liz Frost, and published in Member News in line with the Council's Constitution, Appendix 2, Paragraph 3.1. iii. The decisions are set out below:
  - 2.2.1 **Decision 144** Playhouse Production Parking
  - 2.2.2 **Urgency reason for decision 144** Production takes place prior to Committee.
  - 2.2.3 **Decision 145** Playhouse Production Parking
  - 2.2.4 **Urgency reason for decision 145** Production takes place prior to Committee.

#### 3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

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

### 4 Financial Implications

4.1 **Section 151 Officer's comments**: Finance are consulted as part of the urgent decision-making process.

### 5 Legal Implications

5.1 **Legal Officer's comments**: Legal are consulted as part of the urgent decision-making process.

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## 6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

- 6.1 **Council's Key Priorities**: The following Key Priorities are engaged:
  - N/A
- 6.2 **Service Plans**: The matter is not included within the current Service Delivery Plan.
- 6.3 Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations None.
- 6.4 Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications: None.
- 6.5 Partnerships: N/A

## 7 Background papers

7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

## **Previous reports:**

None.

## Other papers:

• None.