

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

RULE 8 (CABINET PROCEDURE RULES) SPECIAL URGENCY

Government Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme – DCC Building Decarbonisation Scheme for approval

In line with the Council's Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, agreement has been sought from the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee (Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee) to deal with the above matter as an urgent matter (special urgency) at the next Cabinet Meeting on 11 November 2021.

In line with the principles of the Regulations (5(6), 10 and 11) to this matter needs to be dealt with at the above meeting, but the required notice has not been given in the Council's Forward Plan.

The reasons for consideration of this matter are that Members may be made aware of a £3.3m project to deliver deep retrofit decarbonisation enhancements to four corporate estate buildings. Funding would be £2.6m from the Government's Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme plus a local contribution of £0.7m to be met from the DCC Carbon Reduction Plan budget;

Due to pressure to get this work completed any delay in reaching a decision would mean the Building Decarbonisation Scheme works may not be completed to the grant timescale, and the Council may miss out on grant funding that will support it meeting its carbon reduction targets.

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Signed

Alistair Dewhirst - Chair of the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee