

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

## **RULE 8 (CABINET PROCEDURE RULES) SPECIAL URGENCY**

### **Peninsula Children Homes Re-tender**

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 (Children's Scrutiny Committee) to deal with the above matter as an urgent matter (special urgency) at the next Cabinet Meeting on 13 July 2022.

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 .....

The item was due to be taken in June 2022, but there was a delay in adding the item to the forward plan due to other areas of work within Children's Services, including the implementing of the Improvement Plan and two recent Ofsted monitoring inspections, which has involved both commissioning and procurement in recovery work.

The current Peninsula Residential Children Homes Framework Agreement ends on January 31st 2023. It is hoped to launch the tender during August, which of course coincides with the summer recess and consequently waiting until the September Cabinet would significantly impact on the procurement timetable and risk severe delay to the implementation of the new agreement.

The Chair of the Children's Scrutiny Committee is satisfied that the decision is of special urgency and that it cannot reasonable be deferred.

Signed .....R Hannaford

Chair of the Children's Scrutiny Committee

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