
CABINET URGENT DECISIONS

Responsible Cabinet Member(s) - Councillor John Williams, Leader

Responsible Director(s) - Corporate Management Team

Matter for Consideration

1. To report urgent decisions made by Cabinet to which the procedure for calling-in could not be applied.

NOTE – The topics of the reports outlined below are not to be the subject of debate by Council, however, Councillors may ask technical or factual questions to the relevant Director as to the reason(s) for urgency.

Information

2. Contained within this Council's Constitution is a procedure for Scrutiny Committees to call-in decisions of Cabinet. This call-in procedure does not apply where the decision being taken by Cabinet or an Officer is urgent.
3. A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or public's interests.
4. The Constitution states that decisions taken as a matter of urgency must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council, together with the reasons for urgency and given below is such decisions since the last ordinary meeting of Council held on, 27th January, 2005.

Cabinet Minute No.	Subject	Reasons for Urgency
C189(3)	Housing Revenue Account – Revenue Budget 2005/06	To enable the matter to be considered at the Special Meeting of this Council held on 21st February, 2005.
C197(3)	A66 Tees Valley Gateway Study	To enable the consultation timetable set by the North East Assembly to met.
C202	Landlord Accreditation Scheme	In order that the scheme could be implemented as soon as possible.

C210	Three Year Revenue and Capital Settlements – Consultation Paper	To enable a response on the consultation paper to reach the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister by 11th March, 2005.
C225(3)	Supporting People Five Year Strategy	To comply with the submission deadlines of the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.
C225(4)	Housing Investment Programme 2005/06	To enable the housing capital expenditure for 2005/06 to be commenced with immediate effect.
C231	Write Off Of Former Tenant Arrears and Housing Benefit Overpayments	To enable the write-off to be agreed before the end of the financial year.
C241	Capital Programme 2005/06 – 2006/07 Release of Funds	To enable the Capital Programme to commence from the 1st April, 2005.
C245	Education Village – Change in Funding Mechanism	To enable a decision on the method of payment of PFI Grant for the Education Village to be with the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister by Friday, 18th March, 2005.

Outcome of Consultation

5. No formal consultation was undertaken in the preparation of this report.

Council Policy Framework

6. The issues contained within this report have, in accordance with the Constitution, to be considered by Council.

Legal Implications

7. This report has been considered by the Borough Solicitor for legal implications in accordance with the Council's approved procedures. There are no issues which the Borough Solicitor considers needs to be brought to the specific attention of Members, other than those highlighted in the report.

Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

8. The contents of this report has been considered in the context of the requirements placed on the Council by Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, namely, the duty on the Council to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its areas. It is not considered that the contents of this report have any such effect.

Recommendation

9. That the urgent decisions taken be noted.

Reason

10. To comply with this Council's Constitution.

Corporate Management Team

Background Papers

1. Report of the Director of Community Services to Cabinet on 3rd February, 2005 on Housing Revenue Account – Revenue Budget 2005/06.
2. Report of the Director of Development and Environment to Cabinet on 15th February, 2005 on A66 Tees Valley Gateway Study.
3. Report of Director of Community Services to Cabinet on 15th February, 2005 on the Landlord Accreditation Scheme.
4. Report of the Director of Corporate Services to Cabinet on 15th February, 2005 on the Three-Year Revenue and Capital Settlements – Consultation Paper
5. Report of the Director of Community Services to Cabinet on 15th March, 2005 on Supporting People Five-Year Strategy.
6. Report of the Director of Community Services to Cabinet on 15th March, 2005 on the Housing Investment Programme 2005/06.
7. Report of the Director of Community Services to Cabinet on 15th March, 2005 on Write-Off of Former Tenant Arrears and Housing Benefit Overpayments.
8. Report of the Corporate Management to Cabinet on 15th March, 2005 on Capital Programme – 2005/06 – 2005/07 – Release of Funds.
9. Report of the Director of Corporate Services to Cabinet on 15th March, 2005 on Education Village – Change of Funding Mechanism -

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