ITEM NO. 8 (b)

CABINET URGENT DECISIONS

Responsible Cabinet Member - Councillor Bill Dixon, Leader of the Council

Responsible Directors – Paul Wildsmith, Director of Neighbourhood Services and Resources Ian Williams, Director of Economic Growth

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To report the urgent decisions made by Cabinet to which the procedure for calling-in could not be applied, as contained in this Council's Constitution.

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.

Recommendation

2. That the urgent decisions taken be noted.

Reasons

3. To comply with this Council's Constitution.

Paul Wildsmith Director of Neighbourhood Services and Resources

lan Williams Director of Economic Growth

Background Papers

Report to Cabinet entitled 'Darlington Library Service', submitted on Tuesday, 13th September 2016.

Report to Cabinet entitled 'Town Centre Parking – Seasonal Offers and Feethams Development', submitted on Tuesday, 13th September 2016.

S17 Crime and Disorder	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.	
Health and Well Being	Any impact in relation to Health and Well Being are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	
Carbon Impact	Any impact in relation to Carbon Impact is referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	
Diversity	Any impact in relation to Diversity is referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	
Wards Affected	Any impact in relation to Wards Affected are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	
Groups Affected	Any impact in relation to Groups Affected are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not recommend a change to the Council's budget or policy framework.	
Key Decision	This is a non Executive decision.	
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision.	
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	Any impact in relation to One Darlington: Perfectly Placed are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	
Efficiency	Any impact in relation to Efficiency is referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.	

MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

- 4. 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.
- 5. A decision will be urgent if any delay, which is likely to be caused by the call-in process, would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public interest.

6. 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, are details of such decisions taken since the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21st July 2016:

C45	Darlington Library Service	Threatened litigation requires a timely response (any proceedings will need to be issued before the 29 September 2016, because of the relevant statutory time limit/time bar).
C49	Town Centre Parking – Seasonal Offers and Feethams Development	As Distinct Darlington's request includes a parking offer in place from September.

Outcome of Consultation

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