

SOUTH BUCKS DISTRICT COUNCIL 28-DAY NOTICE - FORWARD PLAN

Notice Issued under Regulation 11 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 of the intention to make a key decision in a case of special urgency.

Regulation 11 (cases of special urgency) allows for a key decision to be made if it is impracticable for notice of the intention to take the decision under Regulation 10 to be given 5 clear days in advance of the taking of the decision. Regulation 11 sets out the actions required to be taken in those circumstances which include setting out the reasons why a decision is urgent and cannot be reasonably delayed. Regulation 11 allows for the decision to be taken provided the agreement of the Chairman of the Overview and Committee has been obtained and such agreement was obtained on 4 April 2014.

Key Decision	Decision to be taken	Decision-Maker & Date	Private Report (Y/N) and Reason Private*	Reason Regulation 10 not complied with
Green Deal Communities Application to Department of Energy and Climate Change	Confirmation of acceptance of the award by DECC and agreement of procurement process	Cabinet 8 April	N	Notification that the bid to DECC for £2.5m to progress the green deal communities project had been successful was only received on 28 March and there is an urgent need to confirm the arrangements for the Council to lead the project on behalf of the Partnership and to agree the procurement process.

*The public can be excluded for an item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The relevant paragraph numbers and descriptions are as follows:

Paragraph 1	Information relating to any individual
Paragraph 2	Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
Paragraph 3	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)
Paragraph 4	Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority
Paragraph 5	Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings
Paragraph 6	Information which reveals that the authority proposes: (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
Paragraph 7	Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime

Part II of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 requires that information falling into paragraphs 1-7 above is exempt information if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Nothing in the Regulations authorises or requires a local authority to disclose to the public or make available for public inspection any document or part of a document if, in the opinion of the proper officer, that document or part of a document contains or may contain confidential information.

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