



Executive Decisions Made by Officers

Regulation 13 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) Regulations 2012 requires a written statement to be produced as soon as reasonably practicable after an Officer has made an executive decision under delegation.

This means that in order to comply with these new requirements, Officers discharging a Cabinet function under delegation must complete the form below - and send it to democraticservices@southbucks.gov.uk - for publication on the Council website in accordance with the Regulations.

1. Name and role of officer: Peter Beckford head of Sustainable Development

2. Date of decision: 08 October 2015

3. Summary of the decision: *Please provide details of what has been agreed*

Agreement of the Statement of Common Ground between Highways England and South Bucks District Council in connection with a Development Consent Order application for the M4 Smart Motorway Project between Junctions 3 and 12.

4. Reasons for the decision: *Please detail how the decision was arrived at*

The issues of concern were discussed in a report to Cabinet on 7 July 2015. Following negotiations with Highways England a Statement of Common Ground was developed to agree certain matters and agree to disagree on other matters relating to planning issues, environmental health and land ownership. This is a legal document which will be used by the Examiner appointed by the Planning Inspectorate (PINS).

5. When making the decision did the officer take into account information from another report? Yes No

6. Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer when making the decision: *Please detail other alternative options that were considered (even if rejected)*

7. (a) Details of any conflict of interests declared by any executive Member who was consulted regarding the decision:

Were any interests declared by the Member(s)? No

(b) Note of dispensation: *A note of dispensation may be granted by the Head of Paid Service in relation to Members' conflicts of interest. Please provide details below.*

N/A