

Key decision items not included in the Forward Plan

Where a matter that is a key decision item has not been included in the Forward Plan, that decision may only be made where –

- (1) the relevant Director has informed the Chairman of the relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel or, if there is no such person, each Member of that Panel by notice in writing, of the matter about which the decision is to be made;
- (2) the relevant Director has made a copy of that notice publicly available at the offices of the Council and on the Council's Website. A copy of the notice should also be sent to all councillors for information;
- (3) at least five clear days have elapsed since the relevant Director complied with (1) and (2); and
- (4) if (3) cannot be complied with then the decision can only be taken if the decision taker (if an individual), or the Chairman of the body making the decision, obtains the agreement of the Chairman of the relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel that the taking of the decision is urgent and cannot be reasonably deferred. If there is no Chairman of the relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel or if the Chairman of each relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel is unable to act, then the agreement of the Chairman of the Council, or in his/her absence the Vice-Chairman, will suffice.

Notice of a key decision on an item not in the Forward Plan

To Councillor John Crockford-Hawley being the Chairman of the Place policy and scrutiny panel

A copy of this notice must be displayed at offices of the Council and published on the Council's website as soon as reasonably practicable after compliance with the above.

Take notice that it is intended to make the following urgent key decision which has not been listed on the forward plan at Executive on 23 June 2021:

- Development programme: acquisition and development of Weston Town Centre sites. This is an exempt item, not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The following reports also scheduled for Executive on 23 June 2021 contain exempt papers, not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972:

- Development Programme update and consultation. Exempt appendix B

Reasons reports were not included in Forward Plan

1) Brownfield sites in Weston Town Centre: this report was originally listed on the Forward Plan for July Council. The value of the proposals has reduced and approval levels now fall within the responsibility of the Executive.

2) Development programme: exempt appendix B: it was intended when compiling the Forward Plan that the appendix would be public. Legal checks on the sites in question have not completed in time for this to be possible.

Agreement of the Chairman of the Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel is/is not required in accordance with (4) above *[delete as appropriate]*.

If agreement is required, the Chairman is requested to notify the Director accordingly.

I have had regard to and complied with (1) to (4) above.

If the item will also need to be considered as an urgent item, a reason for urgency will be required.

Reason for urgency:

1) Brownfield sites: acquisition process is a commercial negotiation and the council is required to work to the deadlines of the party selling the land.

2) Development Programme update: consultation on proposals is to take place from July – Sept in order to report back in October/November. A delay on this report would prevent the process from commencing until after the next meeting in September.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lucy Shamali".

Director of Place

Date: 21 June 2021

Ref. – Constitution, Access to Information Procedure Rules, ss 14, 15.