## NOTICE TO CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OF A GENERAL EXCEPTION TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE INTENTION TO MAKE A KEY DECISION<sup>1</sup>

## **AND**

## NOTICE SETTING OUT REASONS WHY PUBLICITY REQUIREMENTS ARE IMPRACTICABLE<sup>2</sup>

1. Where a decision maker intends to make a key decision that decision must not be made until at least 28 clear days public notice has been given<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In accordance with Regulation 10(1) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In accordance with Regulation 10(3) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In accordance with Regulation 9(2) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

- 2. Where the publication of the intention to make a key decision is impracticable, that decision may only be made where the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been informed of the matter about which the decision is to be made, notice to the Chair has been made available for public inspection at the Council offices and published on the Council's website, and after 5 clear days have elapsed following the day on which notice to the Chair was made publicly available<sup>4</sup>.
- 3. This notice is to inform the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee that it has been impracticable to give 28 clear days public notice of the item(s) set out below for the reasons set out below and that it is intended that the key decision(s) will be made on the date specified below.
- 4. Notice is also given to the public that the reasons why compliance with the requirements for publicity in connection with key decisions are impracticable are set out below.

<sup>4</sup> In accordance with Regulation 10(1) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

Date of decision or period within which the decision is to be made	Matter in respect of which the decision is to be made	Short description	Decision maker	Cabinet Member & Lead Officer	List of documents to be submitted to the decision maker	Public or Private meeting. Statement of reasons if private	Reasons why impracticable to give 28 days' clear public notice
7 <sup>th</sup> of May 2020	Procurement of Contingency Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	For the Council to enter into the Pan London MoA to access and procure contingency supplies of PPE through the London Borough of Ealing PPE supply framework.	The Leader of the Council	Cllr Joseph Ejiofor, Leader of the Council Beverley Tarka, Director of Adults and Health	Report of the Director of Adults and Health and MoA (appendix 1)	Public	The need for personal protective equipment (PPE) nationally and across London is acute. With high demand and global shortages of PPE it is essential that we progress every route of supply. This procurement route will allow us join other boroughs in submitting a joint request for PPE and benefit from significant economies of scale.  The agreement to enable access to additional PPE supply lines has only recently been prepared and circulated and agreed by the participating authorities to allow ordering of PPE to take place. This agreement will enable the council to take advantage of a shared buying power with other London Boroughs to procure a significant volume off contingency PPE directly from a supplier to ensure frontline staff and residence are protected in the short-to-medium term. The agreement is in addition to existing supply lines from central government for emergency PPE.  Given the above, it is important to take an urgent decision to access the benefits of this supply line as

		soon as possible and it is not practicable to comply with the 28-day notice requirement in Part Four, Rules of Procedure Section D, Rule 13 of the Constitution.
		As set out above the decision is urgent and time critical in accordance with Part 4 Rules of Procedure Section H paragraph 18 (a) and 18 (b). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there is a high and increasing demand for PPE and it is of vital importance that the Council access supply routes to ensure that the health, safety and wellbeing of Haringey staff, care providers and our residents.

As set out above, please be advised that the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny has further agreed that the call-in procedure shall not apply to this urgent decision. This is because the decision is urgent and any delay in implementation caused by the call-in procedure would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there is a high and increasing demand for PPE and it is of vital importance that the Council access supply routes to ensure that the health, safety and wellbeing of Haringey staff, care providers and our residents. This is in accordance with Part 4, Section H, and Paragraph 18 (a) and (b) of the Council Constitution.

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