

NOTICE OF A CASE OF SPECIAL URGENCY FOR THE MAKING OF A KEY DECISION¹

¹ In accordance with Regulation 11(2) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

1. Where a decision maker intends to make a key decision,² that decision must not be made until at least 28 clear days' public notice has been given³.
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 available⁴.
3. Where the date by which a key decision must be made makes compliance with the requirements of paragraph 2 above impracticable the decision may only be made where the decision maker has obtained agreement from the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred⁵.

² A Key Decision is defined in legislation as an executive decision, which is likely:

- to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.
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³ In accordance with Regulation 9(2) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

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

⁵ In accordance with Regulation 11(1) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

4. This notice⁶ confirms that the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed that the making of the key decision in relation to the business set out below is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred for the reasons set out below.

Date of decision	Agenda item title	Short description	Decision maker	Cabinet Member	List of	If all or part of	Reasons why
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or period within which the decision is to be made				& Lead Officer	documents to be submitted to the decision maker	the report is exempt or confidential this will be stated below and reason given. If all the papers are publicly accessible this column will say public	decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred
26/07/2023 to 01/08/2023	Hornsey School for Girls - Contract award for urgent condition and safety works	Following an inspection of the Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) ceiling of the Teaching Block by an external structural engineer, it was recommended on 26 th June 2023 to undertake repair works within 3 – 6 months above classrooms and laboratories on the upper floor of Block A and the performing arts block. These spaces will need to be re-provided by September 2023 to enable a suitable approach to repair these areas safely. Alternative spaces have been identified to ensure adequate provision to teach the curriculum.	Cabinet Member Signing	Cabinet Member for Children, Schools and Families Director for Children's Services, Assistant Director for Schools & Learning	Report for the Director for Children's Services	Public	<p>It is not practicable to comply with the 28-day notice requirement in Part Four, Section D, Rule 13 of the constitution or the 5-day notice period requirement for key decisions set out in Part Four, Section D, Rule 17, of the Constitution.</p> <p>The decision is urgent and time critical in accordance with Part 4 Section H paragraph 18 (a) and 18 (b).</p> <p>Alternative, safe teaching and office spaces are required for use in September 2023. It is anticipated that construction to address fire safety and condition works will require 6.5 weeks to complete and therefore must commence as</p>

		However, assessment of these spaces has determined a number of condition and fire safety works required to ensure they are safe and suitable for use in September.					soon as possible to enable completion in September 2023. We require urgent of approval of this contract to enable Haringey to meet its statutory obligation to provide education in a safe and appropriate environment.
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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 fact that there is an urgent need to secure a contract with a temporary classroom provider in order to mobilise and install 11 temporary classrooms at the earliest opportunity. This decision will reduce the impact temporary teaching arrangements is expected to have on the quality of teaching and learning, ensure the wellbeing of students and staff and secure exam facilities for May. The provision of adequate temporary teaching facilities will enable the Council to meet its statutory obligation by minimising partial closure periods, providing education in a safe and appropriate environment and securing the best possible outcome for students. Accordingly, the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed that the decision is both reasonable in all circumstances, and that it should be treated as a matter of urgency. This is in accordance with Part 4, Section H, and Paragraph 18 (a) and (b) of the Council Constitution.

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