

**NOTICE TO CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OF A GENERAL EXCEPTION TO THE PUBLICATION OF
THE INTENTION TO MAKE A KEY DECISION¹**

AND

NOTICE SETTING OUT REASONS WHY PUBLICITY REQUIREMENTS ARE IMPRACTICABLE²

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 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.

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

² In accordance with Regulation 10(3) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

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.

- 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.**

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
11 February 2025	<i>The future of St Peter's in Chains and St Gildas' Catholic Schools</i>	To seek agreement to commence a statutory consultation on the closure of St Peter's in Chains and St Gildas' Catholic Schools.	Cabinet	Cllr Brabazon, Cabinet Member for Children, Schools and Families Ann Graham, Director of Childrens Services	Report of the Director of Children's Services	Public	This report is being issued under Part Four, Section C, Rule 16, GENERAL EXCEPTION (KEY DECISIONS). Following a decision, in late December by Governors at St Peters Infant and St Gildas Junior School, to withdraw their application to convert to an academy, the LA met with the school on 8 January 2025 and it was agreed to talk to the Diocese and begin a consultation for

							closure. It is always better for a closure of a school to be at the end of an academic year and so to meet the tight timescales of consultation it was necessary to schedule a paper immediately.
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