

NOTICE OF A PRIVATE MEETING OF A DECISION-MAKING BODY TO WHICH THE CHAIR OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION HAS AGREED¹

Notice of an imminent occasion when the public may be excluded from a meeting due to the likelihood that if members of the public were present during an item of business confidential or exempt information would be disclosed to them and which the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission has agreed is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

¹ In accordance with Regulation 5(7) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

1. At least 28 clear days before a private meeting² of a decision-making body, public notice³ must be given which must include a statement of reasons for the meeting to be held in private.
2. At least 5 clear days before a private meeting of a decision-making body, further public notice⁴ must be given which must include a statement of reasons for the meeting to be held in private, details of any representations received by the decision-making body about why the meeting should be open to the public and a statement of the Council's response to such representations.
3. Where the date by which a meeting must be held makes compliance with the above requirements impracticable, the meeting may only be held in private where the decision-making body has obtained agreement from the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission.
4. Compliance with the requirements for the giving of public notice has been impracticable in relation to the business detailed below.

Date of Decision or period within which the decision is to be made	Ref No:	Matter in respect of which the decision is to be made	Short Description	Decision maker	Executive Member & Lead Officer	List of documents to be submitted to decision maker	Public or Private meeting. Statement of reasons if private.
09 October 2014	EX2882	London Road Industrial Estate Development Agreement	To approve the Development Agreement prior to signing.	Executive	Councillor Alan Law Bill Bagnell	Report and associated appendices	Paragraph 3 and Paragraph 5

5. The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed that the Executive may hold a private meeting to consider the business referred to in paragraph 4 above because the meeting is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred for the reasons stated below.

Date of Chair's agreement	Matter in respect of which the decision is to be made	Reasons why meeting urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred
30 July 2014	London Road Industrial Estate Development Agreement	Delays in Implementation could compromise the Council's position

² A 'private meeting' means a meeting or part of a meeting of a decision making body which is open to the public except to the extent that the public are excluded due to the confidential or exempt business to be transacted.

³ In accordance with Regulation 5(2) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

⁴ In accordance with Regulation 5(4) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

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