

# ***Reports***



## Quarterly Report on Special Urgency Decisions

### Report of the Leader

The Council's Constitution requires that a quarterly report be submitted to Council on executive decisions which have been taken as a matter of special urgency. This requirement is now contained in Regulation 11 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

This is the special urgency provision under which key decisions may be taken by the executive, although not contained in the 28 day Notice of Key Decisions (whether proposed to be taken in public or in private), where compliance with Regulation 10 (the general exception) was also impracticable.

The undermentioned decisions have been made since the last quarterly report to Council:-

<b>Decision Taker</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Particulars of Decision</b>	<b>Summary of matters in respect of which the decision was made</b>
Cabinet	18.09.12.	To; a) Approve the Draft Local Council Tax Support Scheme for the purpose of consultation b) To the extent that such consultation has not been possible in advance of the date of this meeting, agree to consult the major precepting authorities (fire and police) on the Draft Local Council Tax Support Scheme and authorise the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Secretary to reflect any comments received from precepting authorities in the Draft Scheme. c) Authorise publication of the Draft Scheme (amended as appropriate in light of the consultation with the precepting authorities) on the Council's website and in any additional manner determined by the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation	An overview of Government proposals to localise Council Tax Benefit, through the introduction of the Local Council Tax Support Scheme from 1 April 2013, and to highlight the potential implications for the Council and its residents.

with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Secretary.

d) Agree to consult other persons likely to have an interest in the operation of the Scheme, following its publication. Such persons to include representatives/ representative groups of Council Tax payers and Council Tax benefit claimants, voluntary organisations and community groups, with the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services being authorised to determine the final details of the consultation process in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Secretary.

e) Receive a further report regarding feedback from the consultation exercise and the proposed final scheme.

### **Recommendation**

That the Council notes the content of this report.