

COUNCIL 2 JULY 2014

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.

The special urgency provision is one 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 decision has been made since the last quarterly report to Council:-

Decision Taker	Date	Particulars of Decision	Summary of matters in respect of which the decision was made
Designated officer – Deputy Chief Executive	14.05.14	Variation of contract with Balfour Beatty to undertake improvements to Wearmouth Bridge Southern Bridgehead /Bedford Street Junction	Requirement for additional work identified which is fully funded from the Local Transport Plan capital allocation for 2014/15. Contract award and works to be completed within the existing programme of works on St Mary's Boulevard and will not impact upon the cost or timetable for that scheme which is due for completion in October 2014. To delay commissioning the work would jeopardise the ability of the junction improvements to carried out seamlessly within the existing programme, resulting in additional traffic disruption and so seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests.

Recommendation

That the Council notes the content of this report.