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The Executive Board is the principal decision making body of the Council. All meetings of the Executive Board are open to the public, except where certain parts of an agenda contain exempt or confidential information. In these circumstances, the Executive Board may decide that it is in the public interest to discuss certain aspects of a report in private, and as such, choose to treat that specific part of the meeting as a 'private meeting' by excluding the public. Even when an element of a report is designated as exempt and considered in private, the remainder of the report and the related discussion by the Board will always be in the public domain.

Where there is a proposal for a meeting of Executive Board to consider part of a report in private, Part 2 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 requires the Council to provide notification of its intention to do so.

This notice provides the required notification of the intention, at the time of publication, for certain aspects of the following Executive Board reports to be considered in private at its meeting on **15th JULY 2015**.

Issue Proposed to be Considered by Executive Board	The Reasons why Certain Aspects of the Report are Required to be Considered in Private	The Relevant Access to Information Procedure Rule – Further Information regarding these rules can be found within the Council's Constitution	Contact Person - To which any Representations should be made
Compressed Natural Gas filling station	Appendix 2 to the report - this is due to the commercially sensitive nature of this information, being information relating to the financial or business affairs of the Council (including the contemplated development of a natural gas station), and the Council's detailed business case relating to the subject matter of this report). Putting this in the public domain at this time could undermine the Council's NIC bid, or result in it being plagiarised, or otherwise prevent the Council from achieving best value in the development of the CNG station and consequently the public interest	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Contact : Polly Cook Tel: 0113 39 52484 email:polly.cook@leeds.gov.uk

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	in maintaining the exemption at this time outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.		
Southbank Regeneration Update	The information contained in the appendix is exempt under Access to Information Rule 10.4 (3) as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). It is considered that the public interest in maintaining the content of appendix as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information due to the impact of disclosing information would have on the financial affairs of the Council and third parties	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Contact : Lee Arnell Tel: 0113 2475408 email:lee.arnell@leeds.gov.uk
Community Asset Transfer of Drighlington Meeting Hall to Drighlington Rugby Club	The information contained in the appendix is exempt under Access to Information Rule 10.4 (3) as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). It is considered that the public interest in maintaining the content of appendix as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information due to the impact of disclosing information would have on the financial affairs of the Council and third parties	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Contact : Neil Charlesworth Tel: 0113 2477885 email:neil.charlesworth@leeds.gov.uk

Kirkgate Market	The information contained in the appendix is exempt under Access to Information Rule 10.4 (3) as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). It is considered that the public interest in maintaining the content of appendix as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information due to the impact of disclosing information would have on the financial affairs of the Council and third parties	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Contact : Chris Coulson Tel: 0113 2477459 email:chris.coulson@leeds.gov.uk
West Yorkshire Playhouse	The information contained in the appendix is exempt under Access to Information Rule 10.4 (3) as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). It is considered that the public interest in maintaining the content of appendix as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information due to the impact of disclosing information would have on the financial affairs of the Council and third parties	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Contact : Cluny Macpherson Tel: 0113 2478331 email:cluny.macpherson@leeds.gov.uk

Following the initial publication of this notice, confirmation has been received that the item(s) listed below which propose to contain exempt information require consideration during the private part of the **15th July 2015** Executive Board meeting. In line with Part 2 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, the relevant Scrutiny Board Chair has provided confirmation that consideration of this matter is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Issue Proposed to be Considered by Executive Board	The Reasons why Certain Aspects of the Report are Required to be Considered in Private	The Relevant Access to Information Procedure Rule – Further Information regarding these rules can be found within the Council’s Constitution	Contact Person - To which any Representations should be made
Repayment of the Council’s Loan by Yorkshire County Cricket Club	Appendix B to this report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of third parties and of the Council, and the release of such information would be likely to prejudice the interests of all parties concerned. Whilst there may be a public interest in disclosure, in all the circumstances of the matter, maintaining the exemption is considered to outweigh the public interest in disclosing this information at this time. It is therefore considered that Appendix B of this report should be treated as exempt under rule 10.4(3) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Doug Meeson Chief Officer (Financial Services) Email: doug.meeson@leeds.gov.uk Tel: 0113 247 4250

The reasons provided by the relevant directorate as to why the consideration of this matter cannot be delayed to a subsequent meeting are detailed below:-

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- Whilst there is clearly some financial advantage to the Council in taking this decision and receiving payment as quickly as possible, the Club have also asked that the decision be taken as soon as possible. The Club are keen to move forward with their wider financial restructuring which is critical to the financial sustainability of the Club. The other aspects of their wider financial restructuring are not able to progress until a decision is taken on the Council loan, and indeed whilst the Council's loan is in place these other aspects would require the consent of the Council. Given this it is felt that the matter cannot wait until the next meeting of the Board, which would not be until September 2015.

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