

**NOTIFICATION OF INTENTION FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD TO
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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 it's intention to do so.

This notice provides the notification of the intention, at the time of publication, for certain aspects of the following Executive Board report to be considered in private at its meeting on **20 October 2021**. However, following the 28 clear calendar days' publication deadline of this notice, confirmation has been received that the item listed below, which proposes to contain exempt information, requires consideration during the private part of the 20th October 2021 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
Housing Estate Re-Development at Sugar Hill Close and Wordsworth Drive, Oulton	The information contained in the exempt appendix to this report has been identified as being exempt from publication under the provisions of Access to Information	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3)	Contact: Adam Brannen, Head of Regeneration Asset Management & Regeneration

	<p>Procedure Rule 10.4(3) because it contains information which relates to the identity and business affairs of a third party to the Council that does not wish to be publicly identified at this stage, but the identity of which is relevant to the understanding of the Board. Releasing the identity of this third party may prejudice their commercial interests and withholding the information is considered to outweigh the public interest benefit of its release. There is a risk that if the details of the Housing Association are made public at this stage, they may withdraw their interest.</p>		<p>Leeds City Council Tel: 0113 378 7711 Email: adam.brannen@leeds.gov.uk</p>
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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:-

At the Full Council meeting on the 14 September 2021 there was a debate on the matter of the development proposed by the owner of a housing estate at Sugar Hill Close and Wordsworth Drive, Oulton, which will require the lawful eviction of the majority of the tenants. One of the outcomes of that debate was a commitment by the Leader to bring a paper to Executive Board to set out the Council's response to the situation. Following a meeting with the Leader on the 17th September and subsequent officer discussions on the availability of relevant information and timing of the report to Executive Board, it was agreed to bring this to the 20th October meeting, though this was after the deadline for publication of the relevant 28 days' notice of exempt matters to be discussed. The matter cannot be deferred to a later meeting of Executive Board as tenants on the estate have already been served with eviction notices that will expire in the first week of December and there is strong public interest in the Council providing clarity on how it proposes to mitigate the situation, as early as possible.

Also, in line with the relevant Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule, the treatment of the matter detailed in the appendix as being both exempt from publication and urgent, has been agreed with the Chair of Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth).

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