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EXECUTIVE BOARD

15TH DECEMBER 2021

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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 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 DECEMBER 2021.**

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
Wetherby High School Rebuild Proposals and Business Case	The information contained in the exempt appendix relates to the financial and business affairs of the Council and other parties. It is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing this information at this	Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4 (3)	Contact: Jane Walne Tel: 0113 37 87705 email: Jane.Cash@leeds.gov.uk

	point in time. It is therefore considered that this element of the report should be treated as exempt under Rule 10.4(3) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.		
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Following the initial publication of this notice, confirmation has been received that the item(s) listed below which propose to contain exempt or confidential information require consideration during the private part of the **15th December 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.

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LATE ITEM: West Yorkshire Devolution: Consent to Non-Transport Borrowing Powers	The appendix to the report contains detail of the wording in the draft order, which has not yet been published by Government, and publication of the draft order has been vetoed at this stage. The appendix is exempt on the basis that it contains confidential information pursuant to Rule 9 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules. The information has been given to the council by a Government department on terms	Access to Information Procedure Rule 9.2 (a)	Contact: Mike Eakins / Rebecca Roberts Tel: 0113 37 88646 Email: mike.eakins@leeds.gov.uk rebecca.roberts@leeds.gov.uk

	which forbid its public disclosure in accordance with Rule 9.2 (a).		
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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:-

This report is presented as a late item of business and is recommended to be exempt from the call-in process on the grounds of urgency. Unanimous approval of all five West Yorkshire councils is required for this matter to proceed, and Government has indicated its intention to lay a draft Order in Parliament in January 2022. Therefore, this decision cannot be deferred to the next scheduled Executive Board meeting, and any delay caused by the call-in process would risk prejudice to the council's interests (and those of the combined authority and other constituent councils). It was not possible for the decision recommended in this report to be taken earlier or included in the original agenda due to notice of the Government's intention to lay the draft Order in January 2022 being received after the agenda for this meeting had already been published.

In line with the Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, confirmation of the agreement of the Chair of the Scrutiny Board (Strategy and Resources) to consider the contents of the appendix in private has been received.

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