

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL URGENCY**  
**Rule 2.6 Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules**

It is a general requirement of the Council Constitution that advance notice of Key Decisions will be given in the List of Forthcoming Key Decisions (the List). Paragraph 2.6 of the Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules details 'Special Urgency' procedures to be applied where notice of a Key Decision has not been included in the List and where the decision is of such urgency that it cannot be deferred.

The Chair of the Scrutiny Board (1Children and Families) has agreed that the decision referred to below is of 'Special Urgency' and that it can be taken forthwith and has signified such agreement by signing this document.

The decision to be taken<sup>2</sup>:

To extend the White Rose Children Looked After Interim Residential Framework Agreement to the organisations identified at Appendix 1.

(In addition to this brief description relevant documentation<sup>3</sup> is attached)

The reason why the decision cannot be deferred and must be exempted from forward notification and call-in requirements<sup>4</sup>.

The extension of this framework contract for residential care detailed in this report is urgent and cannot be delayed. A delay in undertaking the decision would seriously prejudice children looked after from being placed in quality assured residential homes.

The matter was included on the List of Forthcoming Key Decisions in June 2018 so the full 28 days period has elapsed. However, the decision to extend this contract has to be taken before 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018 or the current contract would expire and a new procurement would be required to purchase residential placements for children looked after. Due to an administrative oversight the timeline for the decision was not given the appropriate attention it required. This decision confirms approval for the extension of the contract.

I agree that the decision referred to above is of special urgency and that it can be taken forthwith.

Signature  .....

Name<sup>5</sup> Cllr Alan Lamb.....

Designation<sup>6</sup> Chair of Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

<sup>1</sup> Insert relevant Board title or if necessary delete reference to Scrutiny Board and insert Lord Mayor

<sup>2</sup> Detail decision by reference to report and Delegated Decision Notice

<sup>3</sup> Attach the report to the relevant Director and Delegated Decision Notice

<sup>4</sup> Give both the reason why the decision cannot be delayed and the reason why the decision could not be taken earlier.

<sup>5</sup> Type in name of Member to sign Special Urgency Approval

