

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL URGENCY**

**Rule 2.6 Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules in relation to the emergency response to and in consequence of the Coronavirus Pandemic**

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. 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.

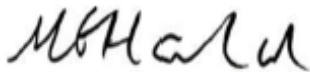
Whilst best endeavours will be made to seek the agreement of Scrutiny Chairs on such decisions in advance, Chairs of each Scrutiny Board have agreed that all Key Decisions taken in relation to the emergency response to and in consequence of the Coronavirus Pandemic are by their nature of 'Special Urgency' and may be taken forthwith.

This agreement will remain in place until Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 when it will be reviewed.

It is agreed that these decisions cannot be deferred and must be exempted from forward notification and call-in requirements in order to prevent prejudice to the council or the public in the light of the pandemic.

It is noted that Directors will provide weekly briefings for Scrutiny Chairs in relation to decisions taken in accordance with this approval for matters within their remit.

**I agree that the decisions referred to above are of special urgency and can be taken forthwith.**



Councillor Mary Harland  
Chair Scrutiny Board  
(Strategy and Resources)



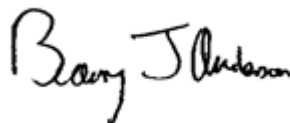
Councillor Alan Lamb  
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Chair Scrutiny Board  
(Infrastructure, Investment  
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Chair Scrutiny Board (Adults,  
Health and Active Lifestyles)



Councillor Barry Anderson  
Chair Scrutiny Board  
(Environment, Housing and  
Communities)

Date of Collective  
Agreement

3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020