

EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN BY DELEGATED OFFICER NOTICE OF DECISION

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER AND CONTACT OFFICER

TITLE OF DECISION:			
BUDGET UPDATE: PLANNING APPLICATION FEE INCREASES			
NAME OF DECISION TAKER:	NADINE MUSCHAMP		
POSITION AND RESPONSIBILITY HELD:	CHIEF OFFICER (RESOURCES) AND SECTION 151 OFFICER		
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Details of Decision:			
<p>Under the Government's White Paper "<i>Fixing our broken housing market</i>", Government will increase nationally set planning application fees for those authorities that commit to investing the resulting additional fee income in planning services.(see attached letter).</p> <p>In order to take up this offer, the s151 Officer must provide this commitment to Government, together with supporting financial information. Following consultation with Cabinet and Chief Officers, the s151 Officer has taken the decision to update the revenue budget, in order to facilitate the above.</p> <p>Proposals for the actual use of the additional funds to be generated by increasing planning fees will be presented to Cabinet in due course (with that decision being subject to call-in).</p>			
Reasons for the decision:			
<p>Opting in to Government's offer will provide the authority with the opportunity to generate additional resources for investment in planning services, in support of delivering economic growth.</p>			
IS THE DECISION URGENT - YES			
PLEASE DELETE AS APPROPRIATE AND GIVE REASONS FOR URGENCY BELOW:			
<p>The need for this decision was only communicated to the Council on 21 February, but unfortunately Government requires notification by Monday 13 March. The earliest a decision could be taken was Friday 03 March, leaving insufficient time for the decision to be subject to potential call-in.</p>			
<p>I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE BEEN CONSULTED ON THE ABOVE DECISION AND THAT IT IS URGENT AND REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES. (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17 OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES)</p> <p>SIGNATURE OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY CHAIRMAN: COUNCILLOR JUNE ASHWORTH</p>			
SIGNATURE OF DECISION TAKER:	Nadine Muschamp		
DATE:	07.03.17		
<i>THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES</i>			
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