URGENCY NOTICE

STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 (the "2012 Regulations")

This is a formal notice pursuant to Regulation 10 (3) of the 2012 Regulations setting out the reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 is impractical with regard to reaching decision(s) on the Future High Street Fund.

Reasons

The decision was not included on the Forward Plan as confirmation was not received until very recently that decisions on this matter would be required at this juncture. The matter is urgent and cannot wait until the following meeting of the Executive because the deadline for expressions of interest regarding the Future High Street Fund must be submitted to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government by the 22 March 2019.

Accordingly, there was insufficient time to have included this decision in the most recently published version of the Forward Plan and wait the 28 days as required by Regulation 9 before making the decision.

A Key Decision on the above matter will be made by the Executive at its meeting to be held on Thursday, 14 March 2019.

The consent of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been obtained to the above reasons for invoking the Urgency procedure.

MARY CORMACK BOROUGH SOLICITOR 8 March 2019