

**DECISION NOTICE - CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY RELATED**  
**Key Executive Decision taken by an OFFICER**

**KEY DECISION Subject:** Major Works / Delivery team projects

**DECISION TAKER:**

**Name:** Richard Protheroe

**Job Title:** Strategic Director

**Signature:**

**Date:**

**REASON WHY THIS DECISION DID NOT APPEAR ON THE FORWARD PLAN AND THE URGENCY PROVISIONS WERE NOT FOLLOWED:**

This key decision/decision outside the Council's Budget and Policy Framework\* was taken as part of the Council's emergency response to the national Coronavirus Emergency. Due to the necessary speed of decision taking at this time it was not possible to comply with the Council's Constitution that includes the requirement to give 28 days' notice of the decision to be taken; publish details 5 clear days before the decision was taken; publish the decision within 2 days of it being taken; and provide the 5 day call-in period before implementation. Nor was it possible to comply with the Urgency provisions in the Constitution

**DECISION TAKEN:**

MRC Programme;

- 1) To suspend all work to internal common parts where social distancing requirements between operatives' council staff and residents cannot be maintained.
- 2) To suspend all external work where social distancing requirements cannot be maintained between individual operatives.

Decent Homes and Externals Programme;

- 1) To delay this programme until such time as we are able to mobilise the contract and social distancing requirements are lifted.

Lifts renewal programme

- 1) To suspend the programme as it was not possible to continue working in the common parts of our blocks and maintain social distancing for contractors, residents and our staff.

Communal Heating Programme (sheltered schemes)

- 1) To suspend all works where social distancing measures cannot be

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<p>maintained.</p> <p>2) We are currently identifying areas outside of the common parts of these sheltered blocks where it may be possible to continue working, maintaining social distancing between operatives and ensuring no operatives come into close proximity of residents.</p>
<b>REASONS FOR DECISION:</b> To comply with social distancing requirements during the Coronavirus Emergency
<b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:</b> To cease all works or continue with all works.
<b>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:</b> Further clarification required once exact nature and volume of works which can continue is determined.
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:</b> Further clarification required regarding contract conditions once volume of works which can continue is determined
<b>EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:</b> There are no implications to Equality & Diversity as a result of the proposed changes.
<b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>  Consultation with members was carried out through the Group Leader Coronavirus Meeting, the leader and portfolio holder where also consulted and all were in agreement with the proposed temporary changes.
<p><b>Chair of the Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b></p> <p>I agree that this decision was reasonable in all the circumstances, was urgent and could not reasonably be deferred</p> <p>I further agree that any delay likely to be caused by the call -in process would prejudice the Council's or the public interest and that the decision should not therefore be subject to call-in.</p> <p><b>Signed:</b></p> <p><b>Chair of the Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b></p>
<b>DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISION:</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2020