

UTTLESFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS TO BE MADE UNDER REGULATION 11 (SPECIAL URGENCY)

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

Notice is hereby given under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 (“the Regulations”) regulation 11 (special urgency), that the following key decisions will be made by the Leader on Thursday 13 June 2019:

Purchase of a property to add to the council’s housing stock using Right To Buy receipts

The Vice-chair of the Scrutiny Committee has been informed by notice in writing of the matter about which the decision is to be made.

NOTICE OF KEY DECISION(S)

Uttlesford District Council intends to take key decisions on the issue set out below.

Key decisions are decisions which:

- Are likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure or making savings in excess of £100,000 subject to the following:
 - Decisions on the acquisition or disposal of land or of an interest in land will be key decisions if their value exceeds £500,000¹.

¹ Please note, the following are not key decisions:

- Loans or borrowing decisions made in accordance with the Treasury Management Policy.
- Decisions relating to the engagement of staff unless falling within paragraph 4.
- Contract awards or renewals for vehicles, plant, machinery, goods, supplies and services where budget provision has been made and the award or renewal is within budget.
- Contract awards where the decision to let the contract has already been treated as a key decision.

- Are likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in Uttlesford.
- Relate to the adoption or revision of plans and policies which would have a significant impact on the way in which the Council carries out its statutory functions.
- Relates to consideration by the Cabinet of proposals which would have a significant impact on the provision of services to the public or on the operational management of the Council.

Decisions to be taken in private are also listed (this is where specific exemptions apply under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972).

A list of the documents forwarded to the executive for consideration in connection with the key decisions is included in the plan. Copies or extracts of these documents or any questions regarding the items listed should be addressed to the contact officer shown in the final column.

Documents are available from the Council Offices, London Road Saffron Walden CB11 4ER. All documents and decisions are also published on the Council's website www.uttlesford.gov.uk or are available from Democratic Services 510430/433/369/548 or by contacting committee@uttlesford.gov.uk

The Vice-Chair of the Scrutiny Committee has been informed by notice in writing of the matter about which the decision is to be made. The reasons why publication of a notice in respect of the decision cannot be published at least 28 clear days before the key decision is to be made and requires Special Urgency measures relates to utilising unused Right to Buy Receipts to complete the purchase of a two bedrooomed property from the open market before September when the window for using some of the RTB receipts will close. The property will provide an additional unit of valuable accommodation to the Council's tenants. If the decision was to wait until the next Cabinet meeting on 15 July this would not provide sufficient time to complete the purchase.

Executive Decision: 13 June 2019

Key Decision(s)

Decision	Decision maker	Date of decision	Brief information about the item and details of documents submitted for consideration	Portfolio Holder	Contact officer from where the documents can be obtained
Purchase of a property to add to the council's housing stock using Right To Buy receipts	Cllr John Lodge, Leader of the Council	13 June 2019	The Leader of the Council is requested to approve the use of RTB receipts and HRA borrowing to purchase on the open market a 2 bedroom house as additional stock within the HRA at a cost of £295K as an Executive Decision.	Cllr John Lodge, Leader of the Council; Lead for Planning and the Local Plan	Judith Snares – Housing Strategy and Operations Manager jsnares@uttlesford.gov.uk