



**PUBLIC NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 11 (2) OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES  
(EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS) (MEETINGS AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION)  
(ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012**

The Council is having its draft Local Plan examined by the Planning Inspector. To facilitate that examination, the Authority wishes to undertake a comprehensive Green Belt boundary review, which includes establishing and agreeing a methodology for that review and the procurement and contracting of a person to conduct such review and produce a report. Delegated authority is also sought for the Executive Director (Operations) to do anything that is reasonably required in connection with this Green Belt boundary review.

Agreement was requested because the intended decisions below are key decisions and these decisions are not on the current Cabinet Forward Plan which gives at least 28 days' notice of the intended making of key decisions. The Council would like to make the intended decisions sooner rather than later. Therefore, the agreement was needed from the Chairman of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee that the making of these key decisions are urgent and such decisions cannot reasonably be deferred.

The intended decisions to be taken by Cllr Buttery, Leader of the Cabinet, are:

- (1) That a comprehensive Green Belt boundary review be undertaken; and
- (2) That the Executive Director (Operations) be delegated authority to undertake such a review and to take all reasonable steps to do so and in connection with such review (including to agree and establish a methodology for that review, to conduct any relevant procurement exercise, to enter into any relevant contracts, and to undertake any relevant consultation).

Under regulation 11(1) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 and under all other powers I agree that these intended decisions are urgent because the public examination has already opened and would be facilitated by such decisions being made forthwith, and the public examination has been temporarily adjourned to await, inter alia, the outcome of, and information concerning, this Green Belt review. I also agree that these intended decisions cannot be reasonably deferred because the public examination has not yet concluded and deferment of such intended decisions would lead to unacceptable delay and would be detrimental to the Local Plan process, including to the public examination.

Dated: 21 June 2018

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J Brown', is written over the printed name.

Signed: Cllr Jack Brown M.B.E.  
Chairman of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee

## **Cases of special urgency**

**11.—**(1) Where the date by which a key decision must be made, makes compliance with regulation 10 impracticable, the decision may only be made where the decision maker has obtained agreement from—

- (a) the chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee; or
- (b) if there is no such person, or if the chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee is unable to act, the chairman of the relevant local authority; or
- (c) where there is no chairman of either the relevant overview and scrutiny committee or of the relevant local authority, the vice-chairman of the relevant local authority, that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

(2) As soon as reasonably practicable after the decision maker has obtained agreement under paragraph (1) that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred, the decision maker must—

- (a) make available at the offices of the relevant local authority a notice setting out the reasons that the meeting is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred; and
- (b) publish that notice on the relevant local authority's website, if it has one.