



Publicity in connection with key decisions – Special urgency

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

When twenty-eight clear days’ notice cannot be given of the intention to take a decision which meets the Council Constitution definition of a Key Decision, the Proper Officer is required to give notice in writing to the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny or, if there is no such person, each member of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee, of the matter about which the decision is to be made.

In accordance with Regulation 11(1)(a), notice is hereby given that the following key decision is intended to be taken on behalf of the London Borough of Croydon by Cabinet Member for Economic Recovery & Skills, Cabinet Member for Economic Recovery & Skills on or after Not before 3rd December, 2020

Purpose of decision:	COVID 19 - 2nd Lockdown and local restrictions - Business Grants
Documents to be submitted:	Report by Stephen Tate, Director of Growth, Employment and Regeneration
Key Decision number:	6220ERS

Copies of those documents, once they become available in accordance with Regulation 7 and provided they are not subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure will be available at Access Croydon, Bernard Weatherill House, 8 Mint Walk, Croydon, CR0 1EA, and on the Council’s website.

This decision cannot reasonably be deferred because:

Special urgency is being relied upon. The new business grant schemes were announced on the 31st October 2020. With the expectation from Government that the schemes were to be designed, implemented, and funding to be distributed to eligible businesses as soon as possible. Unfortunately, the relevant guidance was issued on 3rd November with additional guidance being added on 10th and 30th November with final FAQ’s being issued 23rd December 2020. As such, there has not been time to this in line with the ordinary notice procedures. It is now impracticable to comply with Rule 31 (General Exception).

Other documents may be submitted to the decision maker and to request details of these documents contact Victoria Lower on 020 8760 5700 ext. 14773
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