

QUARTERLY REPORTS TO COUNCIL ON SPECIAL URGENCY DECISIONS AND USE OF THE EMERGENCY POWERS PROCEDURE

(A) The Council's Constitution - Part 4 "The Council's Rules of Procedure"; Section B Access to information Procedure Rules (para 17.3) (page 43).

Under the above Section of the Council's Constitution the Leader of the Council has to submit quarterly reports to the Council on executive decisions that have been taken under the Special Urgency Provisions in the preceding three months. An item of Special Urgency is defined as a key decision whereby the report has not been published within the five clear days rule under the Access to Information Procedure Rules. The following report has to include the number of decisions so taken and a summary of the matters in respect of which those decisions were taken. In taking a decision under the Special Urgency Provisions the Decision Taker has to obtain the agreement of the relevant Scrutiny Chair that the taking of the decision cannot be reasonably deferred.

There have been 4 occasions when the Special Urgency Provision have been used over the preceding four month period.

Decision Taker	Item and Decision	Chair of Scrutiny Committee who authorised use of Special Urgency Provision
Executive Member Corporate Resources and Health – 29 th September, 2009.	Proposed Realignment of Management Structure of the HR/OD Function The management structure was approved for implementation with effect from 1 st October, 2009.	Corporate Issues Scrutiny Committee.
Executive Member Strategy and External Relations –30 th September, 2009	Auction 15 th October, 2009 Agreed the sale of properties	Corporate Issues Scrutiny Committee.
Executive Member for Human Resources and Organisational Development	Anti Harassment Policy-Right of Appeal	Corporate Issues Scrutiny Committee
Executive Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods	Careline Software Upgrade	Development, Housing and Skills Scrutiny Committee.

and Regulation – 24 th November, 2009		
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(B) Detailed below are those decisions which have been taken over the last months by Executive Members under the Emergency Powers Procedures as contained in the Council's Scheme of Delegation (page 276).

Executive Member Strategy and External Relations – 2 nd September, 2009	Silverwell House Noted the decision regarding the revised terms for the renewal of the lease for Silverwell House.	
Executive Member Environmental Services – 28 th September, 2009	£1 Discounted School Meal Promotion for Reception Class and Year One Children in all Primary Schools for the Autumn Term Noted the decision to use £140,000 to provide a £1 meal deal promotion.	
Executive Member Corporate Resources and Health – 29 th September, 2009.	Bolton Scene Design, Print and Distribution 2009/10 Noted the decision regarding the distribution of contracts 2009/10	
Executive Member Strategy and External Relations – 25 th November, 2009	Former Kearsley Town Hall Noted decision to progress the completion of the sale of the building owing to vandalism.	
Executive Member for Environmental Services – 23 rd November, 2009	A6 Blackrod Bypass Highway Drainage Scheme Noted the decision to use £75,000 of the capital flood defence budget to undertake works to resolve flooding problem.	
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Executive Member for Children's Services – 19 th October, 2009	Structural Support and Repairs to Roof Gables at Clarendon Primary School Noted the letting of a single contract to progress the work expeditiously.	
Executive Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Regulation – 27 th October, 2009	Hamilton Court Council House New Build Programme Noted the action taken to progress the scheme in order to complete it by March 2011.	
Executive Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Regulation – 24 th November, 2009	Council House New Build Programme - Round 2 Noted the action taken to submit a bid to the HCA for 8 four bedroom houses at Design Street.	