## 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 2 occasions when the Special Urgency Provision has been used over the preceding four month period.

Decision Taker	Item and Decision	Chair of Scrutiny Committee who authorised use of Special Urgency Provision
Deputy Leader – 2 <sup>nd</sup> April, 2013	Receipt of Public Health Transfer Schemes Agreed - (i) That the Council enters into an Associate Commissioning/Co- signatory arrangement with NHS Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group to ensure the on - going provision of services provided by Bolton Foundation Trust; and AUTHORISED – (ii) The inclusion of the Patient Group Directions in the Property Transfer Scheme; and NOTED – (iii) The overall effect of the Transfer Schemes.	Chair of Children's and Adults Services Scrutiny Committee

The Leader's portfolio - 8 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	PSP – Portfolio Project	Chair of Corporate Issues Scrutiny Committee
	AUTHORISED the Chief Property Officer to progress the exchange of the council's ground rent portfolio for a smaller portfolio of assets of equal or similar value generating a similar level of income subject to – (i) The list of assets to be transferred being agreed by the Executive Cabinet Member; (ii) Confirmation of the council's position in respect of its legal and statutory requirements along with any implications for tax; and – (iii) The properties to be acquired being referred to the Executive Cabinet Member for approval at a future meeting.	

(B) Detailed below are those decisions which have been taken over the last 3 months by Executive Members under the Emergency Powers Procedures as contained in the Council's Scheme of Delegation.

The Leader's portfolio - 4 <sup>th</sup> March, 2013	Approval for the Sale of Shares in Talis Group Ltd	
	Noted the sale of the shares	
Deputy Leader – 2 <sup>nd</sup> April, 2013	Waiver of Standing Orders for Contracts to Complete Works at Various Schools	
	Noted the appointment of an alternative contractor to satisfactorily complete the remaining building works at Tonge Moor and High Lawn CP Schools and to attend to any issues arising during the defects period at St Marys Deane CEP, Highfield CP and Ladybridge CP Schools.	