

CITY COUNCIL – 14 MAY 2012

REPORT OF THE LEADER

DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER THE URGENCY PROCEDURE

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 As required by the Council's Constitution, this report informs Council of decisions taken under the urgency procedure since the last meeting of Council.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that Council notes the urgent decisions taken, as detailed in Appendix 1.

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 3.1 To ensure compliance with the procedures detailed in the Council's Constitution.

4 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 None.

5 BACKGROUND

- 5.1 Part 4, paragraph 15, of the Constitution requires that where a decision is taken under the urgency procedure, those decisions need to be reported to the next available meeting of Council, together with the reasons for urgency. Council will be aware that the call-in procedure does not apply where the decision taken is urgent. A decision is urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests. The urgency procedure requires that the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee must agree both that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and that it should be treated as a matter of urgency. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair's consent is required. In the absence of both, the Chief Executive or his/her nominee's consent is required.

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)

6.1 None.

7 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS AND EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS)

7.1 None.

8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)

8.1 An EIA is not required as the report does not relate to new or changing services or policies.

9 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

9.1 None

10 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

10.1 The Council's Constitution

10.2 Delegated Decision 0107

10.3 Delegated Decision 0121

10.4 Delegated Decision 0123

10.5 Delegated Decision 0143

**COUNCILLOR JON COLLINS
LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

URGENT DECISIONS

<u>Decision reference number</u>	<u>Date of decision</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Value of decision</u>	<u>Decision Taker</u>	<u>Consultee on urgency</u>	<u>Reasons for urgency</u>
0107	20/03/12	City Skills Fund	£500,000	Leader	Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	To ensure that contracts can be exchanged
0121	28/03/12	Home and Communities Agency Enterprise Zone Funding	£2,000,000	Leader	Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	To ensure that the funding could be accepted
0123	29/03/12	Extension to Mortuary Services contract	£348,045	Deputy Leader	Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	To ensure that contracts for the service are in place
0143	05/04/12	School Improvement Payments	£238,000	Portfolio Holder for Children's Services	Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	To ensure that schools improvement projects could take place