

SUBJECT:	DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER SPECIAL URGENCY MEASURES
REPORT BY:	COUNCILLOR RIC METCALFE, LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

1. Matter for Council

- 1.1 To note the report of the Leader of the Council regarding any decisions taken under regulation 11 of the Local Government (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

2. Cases of Special Urgency

- 2.1 As required by the Local Government (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, the Leader is required to report to Council at least annually regarding any decisions made in which the usual rules applying to the taking of decisions have been set aside by special urgency measures as set out under Rule 16 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules.
- 2.2 Specifically, any key decisions required to be taken urgently for which it is not practicable to make the usual publicity arrangements ordinarily require the agreement of the Chair of the Policy Scrutiny Committee. A notice, signed by the Chair, would then be published on the Council's website.
- 2.3 One decision was taken under special urgency provisions in 2018 as it did not meet the usual publicity arrangements in that it was not included as part of the agenda when it was originally published and was sent out as a supplement later than the prescribed minimum notice period of five clear working days. This was an item on the Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Programme and was considered at the meeting of the Executive on 17 December 2018. This item could not be reasonably deferred due to a deadline imposed by East Midlands Councils which had not been clarified until after the agenda for the meeting had been published.
- 2.4 In common with other Executive decisions, details of these matters would be reported to all Councillors and published on the Council's website soon after any decisions had been taken.

3. Recommendation

That the report be noted.