



# Doncaster Council

## Report

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4th March, 2019

**To the Chair and Members of the COUNCIL**

### **ANNUAL REPORT ON EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER SPECIAL URGENCY PROVISIONS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. The Council's Constitution requires those key decisions that can be implemented immediately without a call-in period (usually referred to as "Rule 16 Decisions"), to be reported to Council on an annual basis. This report outlines such decisions taken between the period 5th March, 2018 and 22nd February, 2019.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

2. Council is asked to note the content of the report.

#### **WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?**

3. The Council is committed to maintaining the highest standards of governance and ensuring that the decision making process is open and transparent. By reporting the key decisions taken under 'Special Urgency' provisions over the past year, the Council is ensuring that the public are well informed with regard to the democratic processes undertaken.

#### **BACKGROUND**

4. The Council's Constitution requires that decisions taken using Special Urgency provisions are reported to Council on an annual basis. The ability to take decisions under Special Urgency are provided for in legislation and reflected in the Access to Information Procedure Rules set out in the Council's Constitution.
5. This report reflects decisions taken from 5th March, 2018, to 22nd February, 2019, to coincide with the production of this report. Any decisions taken between this date and the Council meeting will be reported orally at the meeting.
6. Set out below is the decision taken that falls into this category:-

(A) Proposed acquisition of land at Waterfront, Doncaster.

The decision was taken by Councillor Joe Blackham, Cabinet Member for Highways, Street Scene and Trading Services, in consultation with Councillor Paul Wray, Chair of Regeneration and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Panel. A copy of the Decision Record was circulated to all Members of the Council on 6th June, 2018.

**OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION**

7. This report is for noting only and therefore, no options were considered.

**IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OUTCOMES**

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<b>Connected Council:</b>  Working with our partners and residents to provide effective leadership and governance.	  By publicly reporting all key decisions taken under special urgency procedures, the Council is ensuring that its governance arrangements are open, transparent and in accordance with statutory requirements.
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**RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS**

9. There are no identified risks associated with this report.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials NC Date 18/2/19]**

10. The content of this report complies with Rule 16.02 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, which requires the submission of an annual report to the Full Council at its last ordinary meeting of the municipal year on the executive decisions taken in the preceding twelve months under the special urgency provisions contained in those Rules. The report must include the number of decisions taken and a summary of the matters in respect of which those decisions were taken.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials AT Date 18/2/19]**

11. There are no specific financial implications associated with this report.

**HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials RH Date 19/2/19]**

12. There are no human resources implications associated with this report.

### **TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials ET Date 18/2/19]**

13. There are no specific technology implications in relation to this report.

### **HEALTH IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials RS Date 18/2/19]**

14. There are no direct health implications from this report. Report authors can seek further advice from the Director of Public Health if required.

### **EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials DMT Date 18/02/19]**

15. There are no specific equality implications arising from this report.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Special Urgency Key Decision (Rule 16) Report and Executive Decision Record:-

- Proposed acquisition of land at Waterfront, Doncaster

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