

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

APPENDIX 15

COUNCIL

25 NOVEMBER 2015

UPDATE ON URGENT DECISIONS SEPTEMBER 2015 – NOVEMBER 2015

THE ELECTED MAYOR, MR DAVID BUDD

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide Council with an update on special urgent and urgent decisions for the period September – November 2015

SPECIAL URGENT DECISIONS

2. A special urgent decision is where the required statutory notice of the proposed decision cannot be given (ie it is not possible to give the five days public notice). A decision is defined as urgent where any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the interests of the Council or the public. In terms of the Scrutiny call-in procedure, agreement that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred is always sought from the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Board or the relevant Scrutiny Panel. Once this agreement is obtained, public notices are placed at the Town Hall, the Contact Centre and Central Library receptions. The decision taker must sign a form recording the decision and a record of that decision is then e-mailed to all Councillors and forms a public record of that decision. The information is also available on the E-genda system or via the Executive Office.

URGENT DECISIONS

3. An urgent decision is where the required statutory notice of the proposed decision can be given but due to urgent deadlines for implementing those decisions, the Scrutiny call-in procedure do not apply. Agreement is always sought from the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Board or relevant Scrutiny Panel to exempt the proposed decision from the call-in process. The decision then becomes a public record. The information is also available on the E-genda system or via the Executive Office.

SPECIAL URGENT DECISIONS IN THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER 2015.

4. No special urgent decisions were taken during this period.

URGENT DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER 2015

5. The following urgent decisions, with the agreement of the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Board, were taken:

Date	24 September 2015
Decision Maker	Executive Member for Communities and Public Health
Decision	Health and Wellbeing Hub
Reason for urgency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PHE capital funding must be spent within the 2015/16 financial year; • The Big Lottery funding must be spent within the 2015/16 financial year; • Lifeline must vacate their Town Hall premises in order to allow the Council's refurbishment scheme to commence;

Date:	3 November 2015
Decision Maker	Executive
Decision	The Crown Confirmation of Article 4 Direction to Council Demolition
Reason for Urgency	The Council has evidence to suggest the owners of The Crown are potentially seeking to demolish the building, which would result in the loss of a valuable local heritage asset. The confirmation of the Article 4 Direction as a matter of urgency could be critical as the immediate Direction expires on 7th November 2015

RECOMMENDATIONS

6. It is recommended that Council note the decisions.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

7. The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

- i) Minutes of the Executive Member for Community and Public Health on the 24th September 2015; and
- ii) Minutes of the Executive on the 3rd November 2015.

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