



**Report To:** Council  
**Lead Officer:** Monitoring Officer

24 September 2020

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## **Urgent Executive Decisions**

### **Purpose**

1. To provide an information report on a decision which was exempted from call-in under Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules 13.19 – 13.21.

### **Recommendations**

2. That the report be noted.

### **Reason for Recommendation**

3. The report is for information and is submitted to Council in accordance with Rule 13.20 of the Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules.

### **Background**

4. Rule 13.19 of the Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules in the Council's Constitution provides that the call-in procedure shall not apply where the decision being taken by the executive decision taker 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 Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee must both agree that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency.
5. Rule 13.20 provides that decisions taken as a matter of urgency must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council, together with the reasons for the urgency.
6. Council is advised of the following urgent decision taken:-

<b>Title</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>	<b>Date of decision</b>	<b>Decision taker</b>	<b>Reason for urgency</b>
Response to UK Government consultation on the England Tree Strategy	To approve the council's response to the England Tree Strategy.	11 September 2020	Lead Cabinet Member for Planning	Due to imminent Government deadline.

7. The decision notice dated 11 September 2020 may be viewed via the following link:-

<https://bit.ly/3kkPOja>

### **Implications**

8. Taking into account financial, legal, staffing, risk management, equality and diversity, climate change, community safety and any other key issues, there are no significant implications in connection with this information report.

### **Background Papers**

9. No background papers were used in preparation of this report.

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