



**Notice is hereby given that a key decision will be taken by Cabinet at its meeting on 14th September 2015.**

**The Award of a Contract for Temporary Accommodation Services (Hall Place)**

Where a key decision contains exempt information and would be considered in private session a 28 days notice period, prior to the date of that the decision is required. If this notice period has not been given, then the decision can still be taken by the Cabinet, if the provision contained within Rule 18 (Exempt Urgency Procedure) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules Part 4B of the Constitution has been sort.

Also when a matter is a key decision and has not been advertised 28 days prior to the date that the decision is required to be taken, and it has also not been possible to give five clear days notice, then the decision can still be taken Under Delegation if the provisions of Rule 15 (Special Urgency) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules Part 4B of the Constitution can be applied, once agreement, has been obtained by Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission, that the decision cannot reasonably be deferred

Councillor Southgate in his capacity as Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission, has approved the use of Section 15 - Special Urgency, and Section 18 - Exempt Urgency procedures for this decision, and acknowledged that the use of the former procedure exempts the decision from call-in.

The reason for urgency is the need to enter into a contract for temporary accommodation services with Rooms and Studios at Hall Place, Mitcham. Unless this is agreed, the provider has informed Steve Langley it would be his intention to offer the dwelling to another housing authority, which would mean disruption to homeless families and would affect the council's ability to discharge its legal duties towards homeless families.

The item is exempt due to Access to Information Rules, Part 4B section 3: information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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