

Meeting: COUNCIL

Council Agenda Item: 17

Portfolio Area: Housing

Date: 18 July 2012

URGENT KEY DECISION TAKEN BY THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (RESOURCES) – RIGHT TO BUY: RE-INVESTING RECEIPTS IN NEW AFFORDABLE RENTED HOMES

NON- KEY DECISION

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1 PURPOSE

In accordance with the rules of procedure in the Council's Constitution, to report an urgent Key Decision taken by the Strategic Director (Resources) that had not appeared on the Leader's Forward Plan of Key Decisions and where call-in was waived.

2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the report be noted.

3 INFORMATION

3.1 The attached report was considered and agreed by the Strategic Director (Resources) on 22 June 2012 under the relevant urgency provisions contained in the Constitution due to the following reason for urgency –

Failure to secure a decision to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of State by 27 June 2012, will hinder the council's ability to retain RTB receipts that have been raised during quarter 1 of the current financial year.

- 3.2 The Strategic Director (Resources) consulted with the Portfolio Holders for Housing who concurred with the course of action in addition to the Assistant Director (Resources) and the Borough Solicitor.
- 3.3 This matter was a key decision but did not appear on the Leader's Forward Plan of Key Decisions, nor had the details been circulated and available for public inspection 5 days before the decision was taken and as an urgent decision it was requested that Call-in be waived. The necessary approvals

were sought and given by the Chair of the Housing Development & Scrutiny Committees.

3.4 Given these circumstance and the necessary approvals given by individual Members and Officers in accordance with the provisions of the Council's Constitution this matter must be reported to the Executive, the relevant Development & Scrutiny Committee and Council.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- As per the attached report
- Signed approvals

APPENDIX

• Report to Strategic Director (Resources)