

SPECIAL URGENCY FORM

(The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000) (Regulation 16)

THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL SEEKS THE APPROVAL OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HEALTHY STAFFORDSHIRE SELECT COMMITTEE (OR IF HE OR SHE IS UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO ACT, THE CHAIRMAN OR VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL) FOR A KEY DECISION TO BE TAKEN.

THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL ALSO SEEKS THE APPROVAL OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CORPORATE REVIEW COMMITTEE (OR IF HE OR SHE IS UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO ACT, THE CHAIRMAN OR VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL) TO THE DECISION BEING EXEMPT FROM CALL-IN AS DELAY LIKELY TO BE CAUSED BY THE CALL-IN PROCESS WOULD SERIOUSLY PREJUDICE THE COUNCIL'S OR THE PUBLIC'S INTERESTS OR THE INTERESTS OF ANY PERSON(S) TO WHOM THE DECISION RELATES.

SUBJECT: Staffordshire County Council's Response to Coronavirus COVID-19

BACKGROUND: Care providers continue to face financial pressures from COVID-19 and there remains considerable concern nationally about the sustainability of the care market. The Council has reacted swiftly and decisively to this with extra funding of £13.6m for care providers in 2020/21: £10.6m from the first grant of £22.3m and £3m as planned in the MTFs. To meet the ongoing financial pressures facing care providers it is proposed to offer further extra non-recurrent funding of £4.3m

REASONS WHY THE MAKING OF THE DECISION IS URGENT AND CANNOT REASONABLY AWAIT THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE CABINET:

There is considerable concern nationally about the risk of care providers failing. Any delay in providing financial support to care providers could exacerbate this situation; this would have a catastrophic impact on people and the NHS.

Signed:	John Tradewell	Director of Corporate Services
Signed:	Philip Atkins	Leader of the Council
Signed:	Johnny McMahon	Chairman of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee
Signed:	David Williams	Chairman of the Corporate Review Committee

Reference:

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