Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice under Regulation 11: Key Decision where less than 28 days' public notice has been given and where the date by which the decision must be made makes compliance with Regulation 10 impracticable

Pursuant to Regulation 11 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 ('the Regulations'), **I hereby give Notice** that:-

The Executive intends to make a Key Decision on 22 October 2020 regarding **Devolution for York and North Yorkshire and Unitiarisation - Update.**

Purpose of Report:

To brief the Executive on developments, following receipt of a letter from the Secretary of State inviting submissions for models to remove 2-tier (County and District) aspects of local government in the region and replace with single-tier unitary authorities. Whilst York is a single-tier unitary authority, it is likely that models may be submitted by other authorities which include York and would potentially change the nature of the local authority. Submissions are required by 9 November; therefore, it is necessary to urgently brief Executive on these developments and seek approval of the next steps.

It has not been possible to give 28 clear days' notice of the intention to make the Key Decision because the letter from the Secretary of State was not received by City of York Council, along with all other North Yorkshire Councils, until 9 October 2020.

Compliance with the requirement under Regulation 10 to publish this notice 5 clear working days ahead of the decision date is impracticable in this matter because of the time required to notify the relevant Members and obtain the necessary permissions to add the item to the Forward Plan and the Executive agenda.

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As required by Regulation 11(1) of the Regulations, the Chair of the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management has agreed that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Pursuant to Regulation 11(2) of the Regulations, a copy of this Notice was published on the Council's website on 15 October 2020.