

Appendix – Proposed Amendment to Section 12.32 of the Constitution

12.32 Where a Key Decision or other decision requiring publication on the FED is so urgent that the minimum requirement of five clear working days cannot be given, the decision may only be taken **where the following both apply:**

- (a) the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee and relevant Senior Manager have agreed that the decision cannot reasonably be deferred. **Where the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee is unable to act, the Chairman of the Council has to agree that the decision cannot reasonably be deferred, or the Vice Chairman on the Council where both are unable to act; and**
- (b) the Group Spokespersons of the Scrutiny Committee, Chair and Group Spokespersons of the relevant Cabinet Committee and affected local Members have been informed in writing by Democratic Services and given an opportunity for their comments to be included in the Record of Decision.