

**CONSTITUTION - RULE 27 OF THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION
PROCEDURE RULES (GENERAL EXCEPTION)**

This memorandum is to confirm that I have been consulted by the Leader of the Council (Councillor Maher) under Rule 27 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules of the Constitution to the following issue, which is a Key Decision and has not been included on the Forward Plan:-

Levelling Up funding bid submissions for June 2021

being dealt with by the Cabinet as a matter of urgency on the basis that it is impracticable to defer the decision until the commencement of the next Forward Plan because the submission date provided by government for this round of bid submissions is 18th June 2021, and the subsequent Cabinet Meeting of 24th June would be after this submission date.

The item was not included on the Forward Plan because the funding opportunity was only recently announced, with further information only recently received to fully inform a recommendation on whether to proceed with a bid submission (or submissions) for 18th June 2021.

Comments (if appropriate):-

Signed


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Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Skills)

Date

.....5th May 2021.....