

**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:-

The Sefton Council Permit Scheme

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 a decision is needed to authorise officers to proceed with the making of an order for the permit scheme to be in place no later than 1st September 2015 for implementation on 1st October 2015

The item was not included on the Forward Plan because the Government guidance on the process to be adopted and the issues to be included in the making of an order has not yet been published, however Department for Transport officials have confirmed the implementation dates as stated above

Comments (if appropriate):-
The Sefton Council Permit Scheme has been authorised by the Secretary of State for Transport. The Government is revising the statutory requirements and guidance for the operation of a permit scheme and even those authorities already operating a permit scheme will need to make an order to confirm that their existing scheme will comply with the new requirements

J Kelly

Signed
Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Skills)

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