



Publicity in connection with key decisions – General exception – Regulation 10(1)

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

When twenty-eight clear days' notice cannot be given of the intention to take a decision which meets the Council Constitution definition of a Key Decision, the Proper Officer is required to give notice in writing to the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny or, if there is no such person, each member of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny committee, of the matter about which the decision is to be made.

In accordance with Regulation 10(1), notice is hereby given that the following key decision is intended to be taken on behalf of the London Borough of Croydon by the Leader of the Council (Councillor Hamida Ali) on or after 4th November, 2021

Purpose of decision:	Contract award for the Best Start suite of contracts (Children's Centres, Parenting Aspirations and Parenting Skills and Parent Infant Partnership services)
Documents to be submitted:	Report of the Interim Executive Director Children, Families & Education (Debbie Jones)
Key Decision number:	5321LR

Copies of those documents, once they become available in accordance with Regulation 7 and provided they are not subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure will be available at Access Croydon, Bernard Weatherill House, 8 Mint Walk, Croydon, CR0 1EA, and on the Council's website.

This decision cannot reasonably be deferred because:

The urgency arises due to the 28 day notice of the Key Decision ref. 5321CYPL not meeting the requirements as defined in Part 4B in the Council's Constitution and reflecting the award decision now being taken by the Leader.

This decision cannot be reasonably delayed due to the limited timescales for TUPE and mobilisation. In order to avoid a gap in service for children and families in need

of support, Contracts need to be awarded by 15th November 2021 and the new service start on 1st January 2022.

Other documents may be submitted to the decision maker and to request details of these documents contact Victoria Lower on 020 8760 5700 ext. 14773
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