

# NOTICE

## HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### **The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 (the '2012 Regulations')**

This is formal notice by the Chief Legal Officer pursuant to Regulation 11 of the 2012 Regulations that a decision on the following matter will be made by officers:-

#### LOCAL BUS TENDER ROUND FOR SERVICES STARTING APRIL 2019

#### Reasons

The proposed decision relates to a decision to be taken by the Assistant Director of Transport, Waste and Environmental Management, regarding the Local bus tender round for services starting April 2019. Notification to include the decision was sent to Democratic Services in October, but due to an oversight, was omitted from the Forward Plan. A decision to award the contracts now needs to be made by 28 December 2018.

The reason the decision needs to be made by 28 December is due to a 10-day standstill period and the Traffic Commissioner requires that a 70-day notice period needs to be factored into the decision making process. The majority of these contracts are due to commence by 1 April, therefore it will be necessary for officers to have initiated the award of contracts by 11 January at the very latest. A decision therefore will need to be taken about the award of these contracts by 28 December. It is therefore impracticable to comply with Regulation 10 of the 2012 Regulations.

In accordance with the Regulations and the County Council's Constitution, the consent of the Chairman of the Council (in the absence of the Chairman of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee) has been obtained and the relevant Opposition Spokesmen have been consulted on the matter about which the decision is to be made.

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