

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:-

A120 BYPASS (LITTLE HADHAM) AND FLOOD ALLEVIATION

Reasons

The tender process for the A120 Bypass (Little Hadham) and Flood Alleviation concluded in Jan 2019 and GRAHAM Construction were announced as the preferred contractor on 7 Feb 2019. The tenders were based on contract award date in March 2019 and a contract start date of 24 June 2019. A key decision has already been taken on the full contract award.

Before the contract can be formally awarded, the Council are awaiting final approval from DfT of scheme funding. This decision was initially anticipated in mid May following the local elections. A Key Decision with Special Urgency is now required as this funding decision has been further delayed due to the extended PERP for the European elections and a formal announcement will not be made until after 24 May 2019 which will delay contract award and could put the tender price and programme at risk.

Decisions on this matter may, therefore, need to be taken by such a date that it is 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'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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