



### Record of Officer's Decision

#### The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

<b>Date of Decision:</b>	30/06/2025
<b>Decision Maker (Officer):</b>	Damian Williams, Corporate Director, Operations and Delivery
<b>Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):</b>	Part 3, Schedule 3 – Responsibility for Executive Functions delegated to Officers paragraph 4.3 (1) – the Corporate Director has delegated authority to discharge executive functions within their respective service areas (Part 3.38). All delegations are subject to consultation where considered appropriate in the circumstances (paragraph 4.3 (4(ii) – Part 3.39).
<b>Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?</b>	Portfolio Holder for Housing and Planning
<b>Ward Member(s) consulted?</b>	N/A
<b>Is it a Key Decision?</b>	No
<b>Is it subject to call-in?</b>	No
<b>Decision Made:</b>	To instruct Local Government East to provide support, challenge and specialist project management services to the Housing Service, to ensure that the Council deliver a Housing Service that meets the standards of the Regulator of Social Housing.
<b>Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):</b>	The Regulator of Social Housing (RSH) is due to carry out a formal inspection of the Housing Services provided by the Council, as part of the regulatory standards. This inspection could be carried out over the next two years, however there is no 'pre-booked' timescale for the inspection, and it could be carried out at any time during this period. Therefore, the

	nature of the support and challenge needed, this option was rejected.																						
<p><b>Details of any declarations of interest (by Portfolio Holder/Committee Chairman who was consulted by the officer, which related to the decision)</b></p> <p><b>If relevant, a note of the dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer:</b></p>	N/A																						
<p><b>Reason Decision, or supporting Report, is not published:</b></p> <p><i>Tick one or more of the specific exemptions,</i></p> <p><b><u>and</u></b></p> <p><i>Give more information in the final box with regards to why the exemption applies and outweighs the public interest test (which is in favour of disclosure).</i></p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>✓</td><td>Not applicable – Decision [and report] to be published</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>If Report is not to be published – tick one of the following boxes:</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>The report supporting the Decision contains confidential information</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>The Report supporting the Decision falls within an exemption pursuant to Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 Information:</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relates to an individual</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Likely to reveal the identity of an individual</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relating to financial or business affairs of a person or organisation</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relates to a claim for legal professional privilege in legal proceedings</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reveals that the Council proposes to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or to make an order or direction under any enactment</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td> <p><u>And</u> is exempt if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information</p> <p>Reasons: [insert]</p> </td></tr> </table>	✓	Not applicable – Decision [and report] to be published		If Report is not to be published – tick one of the following boxes:		The report supporting the Decision contains confidential information		The Report supporting the Decision falls within an exemption pursuant to Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 Information:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relates to an individual</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Likely to reveal the identity of an individual</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relating to financial or business affairs of a person or organisation</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relates to a claim for legal professional privilege in legal proceedings</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reveals that the Council proposes to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or to make an order or direction under any enactment</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime</li> </ul>		<p><u>And</u> is exempt if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information</p> <p>Reasons: [insert]</p>
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