

SOUTH KESTEVEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – Special Urgency and Urgent Private Meeting Notice

Agreement to consideration of a Key Decision in Fewer than 5 days' notice having been given on the Forward Plan

Notice is hereby given of an Urgent Key Decision to be taken in a meeting for which 5 clear days' notice has not been able to be given.

Decision Title:	Purchase of Properties in Grantham
Summary of Decision to Be Taken:	To proceed with the purchase as detailed in the report.
Decision-Maker:	Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer
Date of Decision:	18 July 2024
Contact Officer:	James Welbourn, Democratic Services Manager
Reason for Non-Deferral:	<p>An opportunity to acquire properties has become available after the July meeting of Cabinet. Given the nature of the purchase and the risk to the Council to potentially lose this commercial opportunity the decision is urgent and the usual notice period and call-in period cannot apply.</p> <p>The next scheduled meeting of Cabinet is 10 September 2024; in order to avoid delays to accepting the funding it was preferred to take the report as an Officer Key Decision prior to that date.</p> <p>The decision is also fully exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) as the information within the decision is commercially sensitive.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been notified that the decision was urgent and has given their agreement to take the decision on 18 July 2024.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Council has agreed on 18 July 2024 that call-in need not apply.</p>

This is a key decision owing to at least one of the following reasons:	
a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which it relates; or	✓
b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising 2 or more wards in the area of the local authority	
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