

GREAT YARMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

**GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE (under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012**

Notice is hereby given that the Cabinet intends to make an executive decision regarding approval of funding from the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero's Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund to upgrade 173 Council homes during 2024/5 and delegate approval of spend of the grant monies at its meeting on Tuesday 8 April 2024 at 2.00pm at the Town Hall, Great Yarmouth.

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 Monitoring Officer is required to give notice in writing to the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee or, if there is no such person, each member of that committee, of the matter about which the decision is to be made.

Accordingly, The Monitoring Officer provides notice to the Chairman. That, a key decision must be taken to :-

1. Accept the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Wave 2.2 funding detailed in the report.
2. Note the requirements for the signing of a Grant Agreement to draw down the funding.
3. Delegate all decisions on the use and spend of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund monies in accordance with the funding conditions to the Head of Housing Assets.
4. Note that the 2024/25 Housing Revenue Account capital budget will be updated to include the grant funding and total spend on energy efficiency

It is impracticable to have complied with the Cabinet Notice (Forward Plan) publication requirements and this decision cannot reasonably be deferred because: -

1. That Council were only notified on the 14 March 2024, following submission of a bid on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024, that the bid had been successful, this information was embargoed until 18 March 2024
2. It is a requirement of the grant funding that the Council completes and returns the grant funding agreement and associated documentation on 9 April 2024 at the latest

This Notice will be made available for public inspection at the Town Hall, Great Yarmouth as well as published on the Council's website.

Dated : 27 March 2024

Signed : Caroline Whatling, Monitoring Officer