

## Individual Member Decision Record



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<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Councillor Mark Crane, Leader of the Council
<b>Lead Officer:</b>	Janet Waggott, Chief Executive
<b>Title of Decision:</b>	Continuation of Cancellation of Meetings due to Coronavirus (COVID-19)
<b>Ward(s) Affected:</b>	All
<b>Type of Decision:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key decision <input type="checkbox"/> Non key decision discharging (or connected to the discharge of) an Executive function <input type="checkbox"/> Specific delegation from Council or Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Grant of permission / licence <input type="checkbox"/> Affecting the rights of an individual <input type="checkbox"/> Awarding a contract or incurring expenditure which materially affects the financial position of the Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decision under urgency
<b>Details of decision:</b>	<p><b>That the Leader:</b></p> <p><b>1) agrees to the continuation of the Council's current process of cancelling all Member meetings until Wednesday 1 July 2020, and that in the meantime consideration be given to making decisions under the urgency process as outlined in the Council's constitution; and</b></p> <p><b>2) agrees that the position be kept under review.</b></p>
<b>Reason for decision:</b>	Although legislation has been published to provide flexibility for local authority decision making meetings, it is felt the current

	<p>process of making decisions under the urgency process should continue until Wednesday 1 July 2020. This allows the Council to give full consideration to the new regulations relating to remote meetings and how best to use them to support the decision-making process. This is to ensure that all appropriate resources of the Council are directed towards supporting residents in response to Coronavirus (COVID-19). It also provides time for the Council to develop the ability to facilitate formal remote meetings in the future, as part of the COVID-19 recovery response.</p>
<p><b>Alternative options considered and rejected:</b></p>	<p>Due to the guidance issued by the Government, having individuals attend meetings would place people at risk.</p> <p>Continuing the current process would allow the Council to consider the regulations and how best to use them to support the decision-making process.</p> <p>It provides time for the Council to develop the ability to facilitate remote meetings in the future, as part of the COVID-19 recovery response.</p>
<p><b>Member Interests:</b> <i>(Name of any Member who has declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision and details of any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service if appropriate)</i></p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><b>Legal, Financial or other implications:</b></p>	<p>Decisions will be made through the urgency process as outlined in the Council's constitution.</p> <p>The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee has been consulted on this issue and has confirmed that the matter is an urgent key decision. As the decision is made under urgency powers it is not subject to call-in.</p> <p>The Chief Executive confirms that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and is to be treated as urgent.</p>
<p><b>Background papers:</b></p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><b>Contact details</b></p>	<p>Janet Waggott, Chief Executive</p>

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<b>Signed:</b>	<b><i>Signature redacted</i></b> Councillor Mark Crane, Leader of the Council
<b>Date of Decision:</b>	30 April 2020