

ACTION TAKEN BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE ON THE GROUNDS OF URGENCY

Committee: Finance & Assets Committee

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1.0 ISSUE

1.1 To note the action taken by the Chief Executive on the grounds of urgency.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the action taken by the Chief Executive on grounds of urgency be noted.

3.0 BACKGROUND

Independent Persons

3.1 Following the resignation of the Independent Person appointed at the Annual Council meeting, the Council had no Independent Person in office to deal with a number of complaints received under the Members Code of Conduct. Therefore, on the recommendation of the Monitoring Officer, the Chief Executive has appointed Gillian Holmes and Stuart Webster as the two Independent Persons for this Authority to enable the complaints to be dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011.

3.2 In accordance with Part 3(4) paragraph 4.1, of the Constitution, the Chief Executive consulted the Chairman of Finance & Assets Committee and the Leader of Council prior to the delegated decisions. The Chairman of Council, Lead Member for the opposition on the Finance & Assets Committee and the Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group were subsequently notified of the delegated action taken.

3.3 In accordance with paragraph 4.1 of the Constitution, the urgent action is being reported to Council for information.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

4.1 There are no additional financial implications.

4.2 Equality Impact Assessment (INRA) not required for the purposes of this report.

5.0 APPENDICES

None

<u>Background Documents</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact Officer</u>
East Cambridgeshire District Council Constitution: Part 3, Page 4, Paragraph 4.1 Urgent Action Memos dated: 30 July and 28 August 2019	Room 103 The Grange Ely	John Hill Chief Executive (01353) 665555 john.hill@eastcambs.gov.uk