

The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

To: County Councillor Simon Tagg, Chair of the Prosperous Staffordshire Select Committee

Notice is hereby given under Section 10 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 that the Cabinet, at their meeting on 20 January 2015, are to be requested to take a Key Decision in respect of approving *The Future business model for the Shugborough Estate*.



Signed:

Chief Executive

Date: 6 January 2016

Note: Section 9 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 provides that where the Cabinet propose to make a key decision, that decision must not be made until at least 28 clear days public notice has been given. Where it is not possible to give 28 clear days' notice, Section 10 of the Regulations provide as follows:

- (1) Subject to regulation 11, where the publication of the intention to make a key decision under regulation 9 is impracticable, that decision may only be made—
 - (a) where the proper officer has informed the chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee or, if there is no such person, each member of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee by notice in writing, of the matter about which the decision is to be made;
 - (b) where the proper officer has made available at the offices of the relevant local authority for inspection by the public and published on the relevant local authority's website, if it has one, a copy of the notice given pursuant to sub-paragraph (a); and
 - (c) after five clear days have elapsed following the day on which the proper officer made available the notice referred to in sub-paragraph (b).
- (2) Where paragraph (1) applies to any matter, regulation 9 need not be complied with in relation to that matter.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after the proper officer has complied with paragraph (1), he or she must—
 - (a) make available at the offices of the relevant local authority a notice setting out the reasons why compliance with regulation 9 is impracticable; and
 - (b) publish that notice on the relevant local authority's website, if it has one.

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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And whereas the Chairman of the Council's Prosperous Staffordshire Select Committee has been notified by the Proper Officer of the intension to make the aforementioned Key Decision in accordance with Regulation 10.

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Reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 is impracticable - Staffordshire County Council approached the National Trust in September 2014 to begin a conversation to enable the surrender of the lease of the Shugborough Estate.

The National Trust has since made a proposition to the County Council. This proposition has been subject to a non-disclosure agreement between both parties whilst negotiations and due diligence have taken place.

This process is now complete and a decision is required by the Council's Cabinet in January so that both parties - the County Council and the National Trust – are able to take the recommendation through their respective decision making bodies concurrently.



Signed:

Chief Executive

Date: 11 January 2016