

Key Decision



**MANCHESTER
CITY COUNCIL**

Urgent Key Decision / Decision Outside the Policy or Budget Framework

Request to a scrutiny chair that an urgent key decision be made that is outside the approved budget or policy framework, and also without it being published in the Register of Key Decisions, and/or that key decision be exempt from call in for scrutiny.

Decision maker	Deputy Leader	
What is the decision?	Strategic Investment into a key asset in Greater Manchester as detailed in the confidential report dated 20 th April 2020	
Advice on a decision outside the Policy or Budget Framework provided by:	The Chief Executive The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer The Monitoring Officer	
The advice on why the legal or financial position of the Council or the interests of the Council and/or the residents of Manchester would be prejudiced if the matter is not determined before the next scheduled Council meeting where it could be considered.	There is an urgent requirement for the local authority to consider support to a key asset in Greater Manchester as a result of the global COVID-19 pandemic. The asset is of strategic economic and financial importance to Manchester, GM and the North West and provides a significant number of jobs to local residents. The legal and financial position of the Council and the interests of the Council and the residents of Manchester would be prejudiced if the matter is not determined before the next scheduled Council meeting where it could be considered.	
List Non-confidential reports Reports to be considered that can be made available to the public	None	
List Confidential reports Reports to be considered which contain confidential or exempt information	Report to the Deputy Leader dated 20th April 2020	
Reason for confidentiality	Contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of the Council and other parties involved in the transaction that is considered to be commercially sensitive	
Intended date of decision	22 nd April 2020	
Officer contact details For any further information	Name:	Carol Culley
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Register of Key Decisions		
Has the decision been published in the Register of Key Decisions?	No	

Reasons for special urgency, why it cannot be published in the Register of Key Decisions with 28 days notice.	The delay would seriously prejudice the legal or financial position of the Council or the interest of the interests of the residents of Manchester	
Scrutiny Call-In		
Is exemption from call-in for scrutiny needed?	Yes	
Explain how any delay will seriously prejudice the legal or financial position of the Council so the decision should be exempt from call-in	Any delay caused by the key decision and call-in processes, would seriously prejudice the legal, commercial and financial position of the Council and the interests of the residents of Manchester. COVID-19 has had an unprecedented impact on the lives of everybody. It is critical to ensure the asset is supported to secure the economic benefits to the region, and the financial interest of the authority and that the arrangements are entered into as a matter of urgency.	
Approval Granted		
Scrutiny Chair who has agreed the decision is reasonable and urgent	Name	SARAH, RUSSELL
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	Date	21.4.20
Request prepared by:	Carol Culley, Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer	