

FC24. Delegation of Powers to Determine Urgent Issues During the Summer Recess

Council considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Housing Services inviting Council to agree that authority was delegated to its Chief Officers to deal with urgent business, which would normally be determined by Council or committee, during the summer recess.

Decision

Council agreed that Chief Officers be given delegated powers, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Leaders of the main opposition groups, or the relevant portfolio holder or, as appropriate, the relevant committee convener or depute convener, to determine urgent items of business during the summer recess (from 26 June 2019 to 27 August 2019) and to report the decisions taken to the first meeting of the Executive thereafter, provided that any such decision:-

- (i) is required to secure the proper delivery of Council Services and to comply with the Council's statutory duties;**
- (ii) does not involve expenditure of Council monies outwith the approved Revenue and Capital Programme;**
- (iii) does not involve an increase in the permanent establishment of the particular Service, and**
- (iv) involves no dispute as to legality, propriety or the proper interpretation of Council policy as affecting the decision.**