

Notice of Urgent Key Decision

Urgent KD 05222/18/K/A Compensation for Walkways Residents and Residents of Bramley House, Treadgold House and Verity Close

The above key decision, added to the Forward Plan on 2 February 2018 and full details of which are published on the Council website, will be taken by the Leadership Team on 6 February 2018 pursuant to the Urgency provisions in the Council Constitution*:

Access to Information classification

The decision will be taken on the basis of a fully public report, which is available on the Council website.

A summary of the decision is as follows:

1. A compensation payment equal to 50 per cent of rent and service charges (for tenants) and 50 per cent of service charges (for leaseholders) be agreed for Walkways residents who are living at home on the Walkways.
2. A compensation payment equal to 15 per cent of rent and service charges (for tenants) and 15 per cent of service charges (for leaseholders) be agreed for residents of Bramley and Treadgold House and Verity Close who are living at home.
3. This will be for a period of eight weeks, up to and including Sunday 1 April 2018.

The grounds of special urgency are as follows:

Residents are due to begin paying rent on Monday 5 February and the Council urgently need to inform them of what they will need to pay. This follows representation made by residents at the meeting of the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee on 18 January and subsequent consultation with residents of Lancaster West via the Lancaster West Residents' Association. It was not possible to give the 28-day statutory notification of the Key Decision nor to publish the report five working days in advance of the meeting so the decision is being taken under the urgency provisions as set out in the Council's Constitution*.

Notification of the grounds for special urgency

Cllr Robert Thompson, Chairman of the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee, and Cllr Daniel Moylan, Vice-Chairman of the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee were notified about this decision at 16.09 hours on Friday 2 February 2018. In the absence of Cllr Thompson, Cllr Moylan emailed at 19:49 hours on Friday 2 February 2018 to confirm agreement to treating the key decision as urgent.

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*** URGENCY PROVISIONS AS SET OUT AT SECTION 7.10 OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION**

(e) Urgency Provisions

Where, on the grounds of urgency, publication of the intention to make a key decision is impracticable, that decision may still be made provided the chairman of the relevant scrutiny committee has been informed, in writing, a copy of the notice given to the chairman of the relevant scrutiny committee (or, in his or her absence, the vice-chairman) has been made available at the Council offices and published on the Council's website and five clear working days have elapsed following the day on which the notice was made available. As soon as reasonably practicable after this has been done the Council will publish a notice at the Council offices and on its website setting out the reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 is impracticable.

(f) Special urgency provisions

Where urgency makes compliance with (e) above impracticable, the decision may still be made provided the decision maker has obtained the agreement of the relevant scrutiny chairman that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred and, thereafter, published a notice at the Council offices and on the website setting out the reasons that the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.