

at the heart of the National Forest

Meeting CABINET

Time/Day/Date 5.00pm on Tuesday, 11 October 2016

Location Board Room, Council Offices, Coalville

Officer to contact Democratic Services (01530 454512)

NOTICE UNDER THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS) (MEETINGS AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012

The Chairman of the Policy Development Group having been informed in writing and being satisfied that 5 clear days will have elapsed before the meeting, I, Elizabeth Warhurst, Head of Legal and Support Services, have agreed that the following item is to be considered as a Key Decision under the general exception provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

CHANGES TO DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENTS

Report of the Director of Resources
Presented by the Corporate Portfolio Holder

The reason why compliance with Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 was impracticable is as follows:

The Revenues and Benefits Partnership has carried out an analysis of Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) made this year and the partnership authorities are likely to significantly underspend the Government Grant if they adhere to their current schemes of reducing from 100% payment of DHP to 50% payment after the first six months of the year. It would therefore be beneficial to DHP applicants and claimants to continue paying 100% DHP for the next three months. As the DHP Scheme had been overspent last year it was not anticipated that there would be a recommendation to amend the scheme. The scheme needs to be amended in October to allow 100% DHP to continue to be paid.



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