

Member Decision Record

Decision Title	
SUPPORTING COMMERCIAL TENANTS THROUGH COVID-19	
Decision Details	
<p>The Portfolio Holder for Housing, Property and Customer Services made this decision after considering the above report and taking advice from the Head of Finance.</p> <p>The decisions were:</p> <p>THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER APPROVES:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THE OPTION OF A 3 MONTH RENT HOLIDAY FOR OUR COMMERCIAL TENANTS IN NEED. 2. THE OPTION OF A 3 MONTH RENT-FREE PERIOD FOR OUR COMMERCIAL TENANTS IN MOST NEED, BY APPLICATION ONLY. <p>In consultation with the Chairman of the Council it was agreed that these decisions were to be considered an urgent item for Portfolio Holder approval and to waive call in requirements.</p>	
Reason for Decision	
To seek approval for officers to provide a 3-month rent holiday to commercial tenants, or a 3 month rent-free period for those most in need.	
Source of Delegation	
<p><i>At a meeting with the Chief Executive on Thursday 19 March 2020, the Leader of the Council made a decision to postpone scheduled committee meetings and he delegated his executive decision powers to his Cabinet members.</i></p> <p><i>A record of the decision by the Leader can be found here.</i></p>	
Type of Decision	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Decision <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Key Decision	
List of Background Papers	
None	
What alternative options were considered when making the decision?	
Not to make a decision or delay to the next Cabinet meeting. Both were discounted as they did not provide a sufficient response to support commercial tenants affected by Covid-19.	
What conflicts of interest were declared by any executive members consulted which relates to the decision?	
None	
Decision Made By	Councillor Roger Bayliss – Portfolio Holder for Housing, Property and Customer Services

Officer consulted prior to making the decision	Tracy Bingham – Head of Finance and Section 151 Officer
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