

EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Notice under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

On 11 December 2012 the County Council intends to hold a meeting of the Cabinet which will be partly held in private to consider an urgent item.

The reason the meeting is partly private is that the report to be considered contains exempt information as specified in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), namely Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Under the requirements of Regulation 5(2) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 the Council is required to give 28 days notice of a private meeting identified within the scope of these regulations.

The item is considered to be urgent as there is an opportunity for the Council to consider a partnership arrangement in relation to the Core Back Office Systems Solution but the discussion with a prospective partner was not sufficiently advanced for a report to be prepared until this time, and in order for a go live date of 1 April 2013 to be achieved a decision is required before the end of December 2012. For this reason compliance is considered impracticable, and an exception to Regulation 5 (2) is therefore sought under Regulation 5(6) of the above Regulations. Accordingly a copy of this notice shall be made available pursuant to Regulation 5(6) prior to 11 December 2012.

Under the requirements of Regulation 9 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 the Council is required to give 28 days notice of a key decision identified within the scope of these regulations.

It is considered that the partnership arrangement referred to above would be a key decision and for the reasons of urgency outlined above, compliance is considered impracticable, and an exception to Regulation 9 is therefore sought under Regulation 10 of the above Regulations. Accordingly a copy of this notice shall be made available pursuant to Regulation 5(6) for at least five clear days prior to 11 December 2012.

Date: 30 November 2012