

## EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

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

On the 20 Jul 2022 County Council intends to hold a meeting of the Lead Member for Economy at which the following item will be considered: Agreement for East Sussex County Council to oversee the Department for Education funded Multiply Programme and delegation of responsibilities.

The purpose of the item is:

The Department for Education has ringfenced an allocation of £2,523,000 for ESCC to deliver the new Multiply Programme to improve the numeracy skills of adult residents. A decision from the Lead Member is sought to approve the proposals for spend laid out in the Council's proposed Investment Plan, and to delegate responsibility for spend to the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport.

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 item referred to above would be a key decision and for the reasons of urgency outlined below, compliance is considered impracticable, and an exception to Regulations. It is considered impracticable, and an exception to Regulations. It is considered impracticable to comply with the requirements of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 because:

The DfE has set extremely tight timescales for the development and delivery of the Multiply Programme and there is consequently urgency in decision making to enable officers to undertake all necessary preparation for the programme to be delivered with due diligence.

Accordingly a copy of this notice shall be available pursuant to Regulation 5(6) for at least 5 clear days prior to 20 Jul 2022.

Date: 5 July 2022