

To: Director of Governance
From: Councillor Mrs M Sartin
Chairman of the Council
Date: 04 April 2014
Your ref: MS/PS
Our ref: CHB-017-2013/14



Epping Forest District Council

Overview and Scrutiny Rule 21 (Special Urgency)

I confirm that in accordance with the above-mentioned rule, I am satisfied that the following decision of the Cabinet is reasonable in all the circumstances and should be treated as a matter of urgency as any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's interests.

Decision:

- (1) That East Thames be authorised, in consultation with the Director of Communities to submit a bid to the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) for Affordable Housing Grant as part of the Affordable Homes Programme 2015-18, before the 30 April 2014 deadline, to fund the number of homes agreed by the Cabinet Committee earlier in the meeting in Phase 2 of the Council's house-building programme on behalf of the Council; and
- (2) That, subject to a successful grant application, East Thames to prepare an application on behalf of the Council for HCA Investment Partner Status so that the funding can be drawn at the appropriate time.

I therefore determine that the call-in provisions of the Overview and Scrutiny Rules, which would otherwise apply, be disregarded for this decision.

I confirm that notice of this proposed decision will be reported to the Council at its meeting on 22 April 2014.

Signed: _____

Councillor Mrs M Sartin
Chairman of Epping Forest District Council

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