

## Notice of Urgent Key Decisions to be made by the Executive on 27 July 2020

### Cases of Special Urgency Regulation 11 Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

Under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, local authorities are required to publish a Notice of Key Decisions to be made by the Executive at least 28 days clear before the meeting. Where this is not possible the decision may be made where the Scrutiny Committee Chairman has been informed and notice is given and at least 5 clear days have elapsed before the decision is made, and in cases of special urgency where neither is practicable the decision can only be made where the decision maker has obtained the necessary agreement(s) that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot be reasonably deferred and notice is given as soon as reasonably practicable after the agreement is given.

The following report has been submitted pursuant to this regulation.

Key decision and description of matter to be discussed	Reason for Key Decision to be taken as a matter of urgency	Chairman of Scrutiny Committee	Documents published
Sencio Community Leisure - request for grant funding	<p>Sencio Community Leisure formally approached the Council to advise that they had been served 7 working days notice to pay an outstanding electricity debt (£35,000), accumulated during the enforced closure. If unpaid within the given timeframe, the power supply to the three leisure centres operated by Sencio on behalf of the Council, will be disconnected at the end of the 7 day period.</p> <p>Therefore, Sencio has formally requested for urgent financial assistance from the Council,</p>	The Chairman of Scrutiny Committee's agreement was obtained on 24 July 2020.	The decision has been published and is available on the Council's website.

In compliance with the urgency provisions, these decisions will be reported to the next meetings of Cabinet and Council.

asking for a grant of £35,000 to cover the outstanding payment and enable the reopening of the centres and welcome customers back through the doors.

If financial support is not granted, the consequences are:

- Sencio unable to re-open the leisure centres on 3 August 2020, as per its Recovery Plan.
- Significant financial liabilities to the Council if Sencio is unable to reopen the centres.
- Significant property maintenance costs incurred by the Council for the building fabric and plant, including the swimming pools, located within the three centres.
- Reputational risk to the Council if local people are unable to return to their local leisure provision.

Leisure and sport will be critical to improving the health of people from all ages and backgrounds as we emerge from this crisis. As destinations in themselves, the leisure centres will also draw people in to town centres creating community spaces and support for local businesses.