LOCAL AUTHORITIES (EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS)
(MEETINGS AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012

KEY DECISION TO BE MADE BY THE CABINET OR A PORTFOLIO HOLDER
(GENERAL EXCEPTION)

It has not been possible to include the following item on a previously published notice.

Under the 2012 Regulations, local authorities are required to publish a Notice of key decisions to be made by the Cabinet or a Portfolio Holder at least 28 clear days before the meeting. If a key decision is to be taken and does not comply with Regulation 9 of the 2012 Regulations, the chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee (or in his/her absence, the Mayor) must first be informed.

This Notice sets out a key decision to be taken by the Cabinet on 13th September 2016 together with the reasons why the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred. In accordance with Regulation 10, the chairman of the overview and scrutiny committee has been informed.

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<th>TITLE OF REPORT:</th>
<th>European Structural and Investment Funds</th>
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<td>REASON FOR URGENCY:</td>
<td>To accept investment for skills and growth priorities through the European Structural &amp; Investment Fund.</td>
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<td>Cheshire East Council is currently progressing applications for investment by the European Structural &amp; Investment Fund. This will support the growth aspirations of the Authority, with regard to digital connectivity, energy, and skills provision. An exemption to the requirement to publish this matter on the forward plan is required to allow timely consideration of these applications and to maximise the potential for this investment, following notification of an unexpected acceleration of the timetable for submission and investment.</td>
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A decision on the matter cannot be made until five clear working days have expired from the date of publication of this Notice and from it being placed on deposit for public inspection.

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Date: 1st September 2016
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