

Leaders' Committee

Urgency Report

Item no: 9

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Summary	London Councils' urgency procedure was used to approve: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decisions taken following the Meeting of Members of London Councils Executive on 18th January 2022 and Leaders Committee on 8 February 2022
Recommendations	Leaders' Committee is asked to note the decisions taken under the urgency procedure.

Decisions taken following Executive held on 18 January 2022 and Leaders' Committee held on 8 February 2022

1.0 Summary and Reason for Urgency

The modifications introduced by the emergency Regulations (SI 2020/392), made under section 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020, 2020 Regulations expired on 6 May 2021 meaning that formal meetings may not take place virtually. This means that in order to participate in discussions and vote on decisions or recommendations, Members must again be present physically at the meeting at which business is considered.

In considering the implication of this in the current circumstances, London Councils' Executive Members agreed on 11 May 2021 that until the legislation is changed, formal committee business is to be dealt with by holding an informal virtual meeting in the first instance to ascertain the general view of a committee or sub-committee with a formal decision to be then taken under delegated authority by way of London Councils' Urgency Procedure.

1.1 Items Under Urgency Procedure for Executive on 18 January 2022

Item 3 – Minutes of Executive Meeting held on 9th November 2021

Agree the minutes of the Executive meeting of 9th November 2021.

Item 4 – Review of Scale of Election Fees for 2022/23

This report dealt with revisions to the scale of fees and expenses which could apply for elections in London boroughs in 2022/23. The report was prepared by the London Branch of Electoral Administrators and is submitted by Martin Esom, Chief Executive of the London Borough of Waltham Forest and Chair of the London Elections Management Board.

Members were asked to approve the proposed scale of fees and expenses, as outlined in Appendix 1 to the report, as guidance for the London boroughs, with effect from 1 April 2022.

The Urgency was approved on 10th February 2022

2.0 Items Under Urgency Procedure for Leaders Committee on 8 February 2022

Item 3 – Minutes of Leaders’ Committee: 7 December 2021

Agree the minutes of the Leaders’ Committee meeting of 7 December 2021.

Item 4 – London HIV Prevention Scheme

To note the impact of the London HIV Prevention Programme, endorse the proposal to continue funding the programme for a one-year transitional period from April 2022 to March 2023, and undertake a commitment for London Councils to continue to work with LB Lambeth and stakeholders to develop a set of proposals to secure the long-term sustainability of the programme to April 2023.

Item 5 – Afghan Evacuation, Asylum Support and UASC Pressures

To endorse the next steps in respect of Afghan Evacuation and Asylum Support.

Item 6 – Enhanced Sub-Regional Working re: Rough Sleepers

To approve the suggested way forward in respect of Right Sleepers Sub-Regional working

The Urgency was approved on 16th February 2022

3.0 Recommendation

Leaders’ Committee is asked to note the above decisions taken under the urgency procedure.

Financial Implications for London Councils

There are no financial implications for London Councils.

Legal Implications for London Councils

There are no legal implications for London Councils

Equalities Implications for London Councils

There are no equalities implications for London Councils