

Appendix 1

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| <p>Key Decision</p> | <p>A key decision is one taken by the Cabinet or an individual Cabinet Member in connection with the discharge of a function which is the responsibility of the Cabinet and which is likely:</p> <p>a to result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or</p> <p>b to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards in the County.</p> <p>For the purposes of (a) above £500,000 shall generally be regarded as significant in terms of expenditure or savings. A matter involving a lesser sum may be regarded as significant in terms of expenditure or savings in exceptional circumstances including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • where a lesser sum is involved but other non financial factors make the matter significant in terms of the service or function to which the decision relates, • or where a lesser sum is involved but it has significant impact on the budgets for other services or functions or on the Council's budget as a whole <p>For the purposes of (b) above any issue which, in the opinion of the Leader of the Council, is likely to have a significant effect or impact any group(s) of people shall be regarded as significant in terms of impact on communities. In deciding whether an issue has a significant effect or impact on any group(s) of people the Leader shall have regard to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whether the decision may incur a significant social, economic or environmental risk or benefit • the likely extent of the impact of the decision both within and outside the County • whether the decision is likely to be a matter of political or other controversy • the extent to which the decision is likely to result in or attract substantial public interest. |
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