

# Decision Schedule



## Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Housing

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**TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL**

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The Cabinet Member took the following urgent decision on 5 September, 2016. It will take immediate effect.

The reason for the urgency being that the Welsh Government have for the first time invited in-year bids from Local Authorities for the Gypsy and Traveller sites capital grant, this opportunity being available only for local authorities who have a proposed site with planning consent. The deadline for applications is 5 September, 2016 at 11am. Therefore, in order to achieve the required timescale it has not been possible to go through the Council's agreed consultation process and therefore not subject to the Council's call in procedures.

The reasons for urgency will be reported to the Council's Audit Committee

Reports relating to staffing issues/Confidential reports are not circulated to all Members of the Council as part of the consultation/call-in processes.

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**ASS&H 03/16**

### **Capital Grant Funding for Gypsy and Traveller Site**

#### **Options considered/Reasons for Decision**

The Cabinet Member considered a report regarding the proposed submission of an application to the Welsh Government for capital funds for construction of the first phase of the Gypsy and Traveller site at Hartridge Farm Road.

Welsh Government had for the first time invited in-year bids from Local Authorities for the Gypsy and Traveller sites capital grant, this opportunity being only available for local authorities who had a proposed site with planning consent.

Newport City Council was bidding for £1.5m to enable the delivery of the site at Hartridge Farm Road which recently received planning consent, thereby making it eligible for grant aid.

#### **Decision**

1. To agree the application to Welsh Government for the capital grant for the construction of the first phase of the Gypsy and Traveller site at Hartridge Farm Road.
2. To take this decision urgently to meet the necessary deadline as described above, and to inform the Audit Committee of the reasons for urgency at a future meeting.

#### **Consultation**

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change,

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**Implemented by:** Head of Regeneration, Investment & Housing

**Implementation Timetable:** Immediate

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Councillor Paul Cockeram, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Housing

Date: 5 September 2016

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