



## TUNBRIDGE WELLS BOROUGH COUNCIL

# NOTICE OF GENERAL EXCEPTION FOR KEY DECISIONS

Pursuant to the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, Regulation 10

**Date of Notice:** Wednesday 07 September 2016

Notice is hereby given that the Cabinet of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council intends to make a Key Decision in respect of the following matter with less than the 28 days' notice required by Regulation 9 of the above Regulations as compliance is impractical for the reasons as set out below. Furthermore, notice is hereby given that prior notice of the same has been given to the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

## Contract for Energy Supplies

### DETAILS OF KEY DECISION TO BE MADE

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Decision Due:	Thursday 15 September 2016
Classification:	Non-exempt
Consultation:	Due to the urgent nature of this decision it has not been possible to consult
Description:	To approve a new four year contract for our energy supplies (both gas and electricity). The current contract is due to expire at the end of September 2016.

### REASONS THAT COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION 9 IS IMPRACTICABLE

The contract is for energy which is required to continue council business. The present contract expires on the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 and a Key Decision to approve the spend is required before a new contract can be signed. The contract has been with a wholly owned subsidiary of Kent County Council for over 20 years and it was initially felt that Cabinet approval was not required. Subsequently, it was determined that it should indeed be considered and approved by Cabinet due to the size of the contract.

### NOTES:

- This notice complies with Rule 15 of the Access to Information Procedures Rules set out at Part 4 of the Council's Constitution.
- This notice has been delivered to the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- Copies of this notice are available on the Council's website and at its offices.
- Decisions to be taken are subject to call-in.