

## **Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012**

### **Notice under Regulation 11: Key Decisions taken in cases of Special Urgency**

Pursuant to Regulation 11 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 ('the Regulations'), **I hereby give Notice** that:-

The Leader intends to make a Key Decision on behalf of the Sheffield City Council about [Future Commissioning of Mental Health Services ].

This decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred. Consequently it has not been possible to give 5 clear days' notice of the intention to make the Key Decision, as required by Regulation 10 of the Regulations.

The reasons why the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred are as follows:-

The current agreement with the Sheffield Health and Social Care NHS Foundation Trust (SHSC) expires on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016. It had been proposed that services after that date would be procured jointly with the Sheffield Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). However, it has not been possible to reach agreement with the CCG prior to the expiry of the current arrangements and interim arrangements have become necessary at very short notice. Extension of the current s75 agreement with SHSC was explored. However, the agreement is no longer felt to be fit for purpose and, in any event, an extension was unacceptable to SHSC. We have a statutory duty to deliver most of the mental health services covered by these arrangements and consequently ceasing delivery, even for a short period, is not an option.

**Gillian Duckworth**  
**Director of Legal and Governance**  
**Sheffield City Council**

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As required by Regulation 11 of the Regulations, the Chair of the Healthier Communities and Social Care Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee has been informed of the matter about which the Key Decision is to be made by being given the above Notice, and has agreed that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Pursuant to Regulation 11 (2) this Copy of the Notice was made available at Sheffield Town Hall for inspection by the public and published on the Council's website on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016

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I confirm receipt of this Notice. I agree that the intended decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
Chair of Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care Scrutiny and  
Policy Development Committee