

**The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 (“the Regulations”)**

**Notice Issued Under Regulation 11 (Cases of Special Urgency), where the date by which the key decision needs to be made makes compliance with Regulation 10 impracticable**

Regulations 5 and 9 of the above Regulations requires 28 clear days’ notice to be given of all ‘private’ and ‘key decisions’ taken on behalf of the Authority. Where that notice is impracticable, the decision can only be made where:

- the Chairs of the relevant Scrutiny Committees have agreed on the matter about which the decision is to be made;
- the Council has issued a Public Notice (i.e. this Notice), setting out the reasons why compliance with Regulation 10 is impracticable;

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Regulation 11 that the Executive intends to make the following key decision, without the 28 clear-days’ notice:

<b>Matter for Decision:</b>	Free School Meals
<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cllr Jason Smithers – Leader of the Council

<b>Notice Published:</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
<b>Expected Decision Date:</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> October 2021

<b>Reason why impracticable to comply with Regulation 10</b>	A decision needs to be made urgently to enable necessary work to be undertaken to ensure that free school meals are implemented for North Northamptonshire across the half-term period.
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The Chairs of the Scrutiny Commission and the Finance and Resources Scrutiny Committee were informed of the intention to take the key decision detailed above by email, dated 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and have provided their consent.

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