

COUNCIL		
Report Title	Action Taken by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Under Rule 19 of Section G of the Constitution	
Key Decision	no	Item No.
Ward	n/a	
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Class	Part 1	Date: November 27 2013

ACTION TAKEN BY THE CHAIR OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE UNDER RULE 19 OF SECTION G OF THE CONSTITUTION

- The Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee agreed under the urgency procedure set out in Rule 19 of Section G of the Constitution, that the matter listed below should be treated as a matter of urgency despite not having been included in the Key Decision Plan. The determination to seek authorisation to participate in joint legal action against the proposed closure of Downham Fire Station and to seek authority to, (1) be a party to judicial review proceedings with other local authorities to challenge the decision of the Mayor of London and the Commissioner for Fire and Emergency Planning, in relation to the proposed closure of fire stations across London, (including Downham), (2) enter into a memorandum of understanding with LB Islington in relation to those proceedings and (3) give authority to LB Islington to represent this Council in those proceedings, was made by the Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, as the delay in considering the item of business would have prejudiced the interests of the Council.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Reason for Urgency</u>
September 17 2013	Fifth London Safety Plan – Closure of Downham Fire Station	The reason for this was because of the extremely tight timescale available to participate in joint legal action with other London boroughs and in order to meet the necessary court deadlines.

RECOMMENDATION that the actions taken by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be noted.