

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** City Council – 19 May 2010

**Subject:** Urgent Key Decisions

**Report of:** The City Solicitor

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**Purpose of Report**

To report those key decisions that have been taken in accordance with the urgency provisions in the Council's Constitution.

**Recommendations**

To note the report.

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**Financial consequences for Revenue Budget** None.

**Financial consequences for Capital Budget** None.

**Wards affected** All.

**Implications for:**

**Antipoverty**  
No.

**Equal Opportunities**  
No

**Environment**  
No

**Employment**  
No

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**Background documents:**

File of Key Decisions held in Room 405, Town Hall.

## 1. Background

1.1 The Constitution (Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules) establishes a procedure for dealing with key decisions where action needs to be taken immediately for reasons of urgency, and is therefore not subject to the normal call-in arrangements.

1.2 The procedures provide that the chair of the appropriate overview and scrutiny committee must agree that both the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances, and to it being treated as a matter of urgency.

1.3 Such decisions are to be reported to the Council, and since the last ordinary meeting of the City Council the following key decision has been dealt with in this way.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Reason for urgency</b>	<b>Decision Taken by</b>	<b>Approved by</b>
23 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Transformation Directorate - Town Hall Extension Soft Strip Out & Early Works scheme,	Exemption from call-in required to maintain momentum with the delivery of the Town Hall Complex Programme & decant timescales.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
23 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Directorate of Transformation - Central Library Soft Strip Out & Early Works scheme,	Exemption from call-in required to maintain momentum with the delivery of the Town Hall Complex Programme & decant timescales.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
23 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Building Schools for the Future - St Peter's High School scheme	Exemption from call-in required to maintain momentum with the delivery of the Building Schools for the Future Programme.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson

23 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Building Schools for the Future – Loreto High School scheme	Exemption from call-in required to maintain momentum with the delivery of the Building Schools for the Future Programme.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
24 March 2010	Regeneration of Bowes Street Moss Side -	Delay will seriously prejudice the implementation of the scheme and the availability of HMR funding and will therefore seriously affect the interests of residents of the Bowes Street area.	Executive	Cllr. Watson
24 March 2010	Acceptance of Tenders for Insurance Cover for Council Property including Schools Balance of Risks and Works of Art.	To avoid a break in the continuity of insurance cover when the current contracts expire on 31 March 2010. (The OJEU Procurement regulations also require a period of days to enable unsuccessful prospective service providers to challenge the award decisions).	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
24 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Housing Investment Programme 2009/10 – Local Authority New Build Programme scheme	In order to meet timescales of grant funding for delivery of scheme.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
24 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Acquisition of Trafford Borough's Interest in	To ensure Tax group structure for M.C.L. is in place before the end of the financial year.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson

	Manchester Central Ltd scheme			
26 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Building Schools for the Future – Whalley Range High School scheme	Exemption from call-in required to maintain momentum with the delivery of the Building Schools for the Future Programme.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
26 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - ICT Services Data Centre Relocation scheme	Exemption from call-in required to maintain momentum with the delivery ICT Services	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
26 March 2010	Capital Expenditure Approval - Destination Manchester Ltd (DML) Reorganisation – Loan Conversion scheme,	To ensure Tax group structure for DM.L. is in place before the end of the financial year.	City Treasurer	Cllr. Watson
12 April 2010	Appointment of provider of housing related support for single people and families who have substance misuse problems.	Exemption from call-in required to ensure continuity of current service by new provider	Strategic Director Adult Social Care	Cllr. Cooley