

## SPECIAL COUNCIL - 24TH FEBRUARY 2021

SUBJECT: BUS EMERGENCY SCHEME (BES) - REQUEST TO ALL COUNCILS TO

SIGN UP TO BES 2 SCHEME

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR – EDUCATION AND CORPORATE SERVICES

1.1 The attached report was considered as an urgent item by Cabinet on 27th January 2021.

- 1.2 The Constitution requires that any decision taken as a matter of urgency must be reported to the next available meeting of Council, giving the reasons for its urgency. Therefore, the report is presented to Council for Members' information.
- 1.3 The report provided Cabinet with the wider context, the background to and the reasons for the Bus Emergency Scheme 2 (BES2) and sought the agreement of the authority to sign up to the BES 2 scheme.
- 1.4 The urgency of the item was as a result of the legal agreement providing further financial assistance must be signed by 31st January 2021. If the agreement is not signed this will seriously prejudice the interests of the Council and the public, it serves.
- 1.5 The recommendations of the report were considered and approved by Cabinet.
- 1.6 Members are asked to note the recommendations of the report and Cabinet decision.

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Appendices:

Appendix Report to Cabinet on 27th January 2021