

## **Notice of Exemption to Key Decision Process Supporting Warwickshire Wildlife Trust**

The Chief Executive has been asked to use his delegated authority CE(4) to deal with urgent items that occur between meetings. The requested decision is seeking approval to provide a grant to Warwickshire Wildlife Trust to support the purchase of land and to support the design and layout of the land to achieve biodiversity and public access benefits.

The location and value are confidential (by virtue of the provisions within Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) so as not to disadvantage the Trust in trying to secure this land. However, the details of the grant will be made public if the trust do or do not secure the land in question, when the matter is reported to Cabinet.

The report could not be brought to a Cabinet meeting due to the time constraints on the potential land sale and when the Trust approached the Council which was in late October.

The proposal has been considered informally by the Cabinet and representatives of each political Group at a confidential briefing on 11 November 2024 and prior to taking the decision the Chief Executive will consult with the relevant Deputy Chief Executive, Head(s) of Service (if available) and Group Leaders (or in their absence Deputy Group Leaders).

The proposal is considered to wholly in accordance with the budget or policy framework approved by Council and the process outlined in the Budgetary Framework must be followed.

The Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Head of Finance, Leader and Overview & Scrutiny Committee Chair have all agreed for the Chief Executive to take the decision on 15 November 2024.

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