REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS

- 1.1 Pursuant to Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 15(g), it is reported to Council that the following decisions were taken as a matter of urgency and not subject to call in:-
 - To agree the recommendations made by the Member Grant Advisory Group, which met on 17 December 2014, to allocate grant funding to local voluntary organisations. (Portfolio Holder for Community)

Reason: Under the Best Value Statutory Guidance local groups receiving grant aid should be notified of decisions relating to their funding at least three months before the start of the new financial year (by the end of December 2014).

 To confirm that Councillors Mrs C A Weston and Mrs L A Butcher be nominated to attend one of the Royal Garden Parties scheduled for either Tuesday, 12 May, Wednesday, 20 May or Thursday 28 May, 2015, accompanied by one guest each, and using the Civic Car and Driver. (The Leader)

Reason: To meet the timescale for the submission of nominations set by the Local Government Association.

 To confirm that the Inspector appointed by the Government to undertake an examination of the Rayleigh Centre Area Action Plan be asked to consider the November 2013 iteration of the Plan (the Submission Document 2013) as the document to be examined – the 'starting point' for the examination. (Portfolio Holder for Planning)

Reason: To meet the timescale for confirming the Council's approach set by the Government Inspector.

 That Rochford District Council's finalised Section 11 Safeguarding Children's Audit and the Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Audit be submitted to the respective Safeguarding Children and Adult Boards to meet the deadline of 31 January 2015. (Portfolio Holder for Community)

Reason: To enable the Council to meet the deadline for the submission of the Joint Safeguarding Children and Adults Section 11 Audit 2015.

• That the purchase of the land adjoining Grove Woods is approved up to £50,000. (Portfolio Holder for Enterprise)

Reason: Because the land in question was being sold at public auction on 11 February 2015.

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