

**NOTIFICATION OF KEY DECISION TO BE TAKEN**

**GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE**

<b>DETAILS OF DECISION</b>	
<b>Title of Report</b>	UNISON's Ethical Care Charter – Feasibility report on adopting the Charter
<b>Description/Nature of matter requiring Key Decision</b>	The decision to be taken will be to note the key objectives of the UNISON ethical care charter, the steps already being taken by the Council to meet these objectives, including the prior commitment to introduce the London Living Wage for all new contracts and to confirm the aspiration of the council to meet the objectives of the charter in the shortest possible timeframe, subject to affordability, contractual commitments and with reference to the demands of personalised budgets
<b>Decision taker</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date by which Key Decision must be taken</b>	16 April 2013
<b>Reason why it was impracticable for decision to be on the Forward Plan</b>	The decision was on the forward plan for a decision in March 2013 however due to the need to consult further with stakeholders it was agreed with members that the decision should be deferred to April.
<b>Reason why the decision cannot wait for inclusion in the next Forward Plan</b>	The next forward plan to be published will include decisions to be taken from May 2013 onwards. In November 2012 Cabinet requested a report on the feasibility of adopting the charter and a decision was planned for March 2013. Following further consultation with stakeholders a decision is now required in April 2013 in order to not delay the recommended work to prepare a programme of work and a timetable for agreement by Cabinet, to move towards the council's aspiration to fully implement the charter.
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