

**OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME  
RECORD OF CABINET DECISION**



**TO BE UPLOADED TO THE INTERNET BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

<b>Date:</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2020	<b>Ref No:</b> KW200821
<b>Responsible Officer:</b> Kate Waterhouse, Chief Information Officer	
<b>Type of Decision:</b>	
<b>Key</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Non-Key</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Freedom of Information Status:</b> <i>(can the report go in the public domain)</i>	
<b>Title/Subject matter:</b> Events Guidance under local COVID restrictions	
<b>Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance</b> – Is the decision:	
(i) within an Approved Budget	No budget implications
(ii) in accordance with Council Policy	No policy implications
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b> [Does this decision change policy, procedure or working practice or negatively impact on a group of people? <b>If yes</b> – complete EIA and summarise issues identified and recommendations – forward EIA to Corporate HR]	No
<b>Summary:</b> Informal Cabinet asked for an update on current restrictions re. social gatherings and events in light of new local restrictions which were introduced across Greater Manchester on the 15 <sup>th</sup> August 2020.	
<b>Wards affected:</b> All	
<b>Consultations:</b> Cabinet Members and Portfolio lead	
<b>Scrutiny &amp; Review Committee Interest:</b>	

**Options considered:**

Informal Cabinet considered whether the national guidance and regulatory framework was sufficient to meet our obligations for creating a COVID-secure environment in the Borough and protecting public health when considering which events and social gatherings can take place.

Consideration was given to whether a local policy statement could be created to further limit the potential for households to mix in public settings and in private businesses / clubs / facilities etc.

On balance it was agreed that there are not the sufficient regulatory frameworks to support the introduction of a new policy in the Borough, instead event organisers should be advised to follow national guidance and the GM Safety Advisory notice.

Informal Cabinet agreed to promote the current regulations and restrictions via the Council website with a clear link to the Events Advisory Group who can offer support and guidance for organisations intending to hold events which will be reviewed on a case by case basis, using the COVID risk assessment produced by the organisers.

**Decision** *[with reasons]*

<b>Decision made by:</b>	<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
Director or Chief/Senior Officer	K.A.Waterhouse	21 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2020
<b>Members Consulted</b> <i>[see note 1 below]</i>		
Cabinet Member	Cllr Jane Black	21 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2020
Lead Member		
Opposition Spokesperson		

**Notes**

1. Where, in accordance with the requirements of the Officer Delegation Scheme, a Chief Officer consults with the appropriate Cabinet Member they must sign the form so as to confirm that they have been consulted and that they agree with the proposed action. The signature of the Opposition Spokesperson should be obtained to confirm that he/she has been consulted.
2. **This form must not be used for urgent decisions.**
3. Where there is any doubt, Corporate Directors should err on the side of caution and seek advice from the Council's Monitoring Officer.