

Date: 23 February 2024

## **London Borough of Islington**

## **KEY DECISION – GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with paragraph 92 of the Council's Constitution, the Acting Corporate Director of Homes and Neighbourhoods will take a decision on 4 March 2024 on the following item:

## Provision of Accommodation for single homeless people – St. Johns Mansions, Clerkenwell, Islington 19 properties

This notice is being given because the matter was not publicised 28 days in advance of the decision.

**Reason for urgency:** The external grant funding for this project to provide 19 x self-contained studio properties for homeless people has been allocated within the current financial year and it is necessary for the Council to enter into a building contract to receive the funding before the middle part of March 2024 to enable the modernisation scheme to be completed before the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, to enable 100% of the available capital and revenue funding provided to Islington Council to be secured. It is therefore not possible for the 28-day statutory notice to be issued or for this decision to wait for future meetings of the Executive and full Council. The urgency provisions in the Constitution are being used to ensure that the project can proceed. In addition to this the Council has been unable to publicise this project or funding due to an embargo placed on councils by the grant funding providers.

The Council has been allocated £2,538,000 of capital funding and £1,694,512 of revenue funding to provide 19 x self-contained studio properties located at St. Johns Mansions, Clerkenwell for people who are homeless and sleeping rough.

Further information may be obtained from Democratic Services.

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