NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Access to Information Procedure Rule 4

NOTICE OF PRIVATE ITEM

Creation of new audit company - Veritau Assurance Limited

The County Council's Constitution provides that at least 28 clear days before a private meeting (a meeting, or part of a meeting, of the executive decision making body during which the public are excluded) the executive decision-making body must give notice of its intention to hold the meeting in private (including a statement of the reasons for holding it in private) by making the notice available at County Hall and at the venue for the meeting (if different) and publishing it on the Council's website.

It is anticipated that on 7 May 2024 a report considering the establishment of a new Teckal company for the provision of Audit Services which would adhere to the Teckal exemption in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, will be considered by Executive. The intention to make this key decision is published on the Forward Plan.

The report is likely to contain exempt information. The information anticipated to be contained in the report is of the type defined in paragraph 3,5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.) and it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. This part of the meeting may therefore be held in private.

This Notice gives notice of the intention to hold this part of the Executive meeting in private.

Should you wish to make any representations as to why this part of the meeting should be held in public, please contact me using the details below:

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