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## Notice relating to an urgent forthcoming Cabinet decision

## **Storm Henk Flood Grants**

This is a key decision required to be taken urgently by the Cabinet member responsible for Finance and Property Assets. The decision has not previously been included in the Cabinet work programme and advertised 28 clear days in advance.

The decision, if confirmed, would allow the council to receive applications from residents and businesses that were affected by flooding caused by storm Henk earlier in the year, grant financial support to those eligible and then claim and money spent by the council from central government. It was not placed on the Cabinet work programme as the notification and subsequent guidance received from government were unclear and were received later than the time allowed for the work programme. Also, this decision is urgent and cannot be deferred because there is limited time to open and close the application scheme, undertake relevant verifications, process payments or apply agreed discounts and then submit the claims to the government portal by 12 April 2024.

The council is required to seek the agreement of its Scrutiny Committee chair before the relevant Cabinet member can make this decision.

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