

CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

(i) Details of decision

**SUPPORT TO SURREY BUSINESSES: THE SMALL BUSINESSES
ENGAGEMENT ACCORD**

That the Federation of Small Businesses Engagement Accord be signed by the Leader.

(ii) Reasons for decision

The principles of the Accord align effectively with the Council's intentions to engage proactively with small businesses.

(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None

(iv) Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report

None

Conflicts of Interest

(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded)

None

Dispensation

(Any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee in respect of any declared conflict of interest to be noted)

None

Decision taken by:

(i) Name: Dr Andrew Povey

(ii) Portfolio: Leader

Date of Decision: 7 July 2009

Date of Publication of Record of Decision: 7 July 2009

Date decision effective (i.e. 5 days after date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the appropriate Select Committee):

In accordance with Access to Information Rule 6.05(f) (Special Urgency), the Chairman of the Environment and Economy Select Committee agreed that this decision could not reasonably be deferred because the signing of the Small Businesses Engagement Accord will, upon the Leader's agreement, take place in front of the Surrey Strategic Partnership Leadership Group on 8 July 2009. The next meeting of the group is not until 9 December and showing commitment to small businesses in Surrey should be a matter of priority in the current economic climate.

The decision is not, therefore, subject to call-in.