Ref: 729/16



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# **EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

A1 Service Area	Local Land Charges	
A2 Title	VAT on Con29 search requests	
A3 Decision Taken By	Deputy Leader	
A4 Chief Officer	Please print name: Sal Khan	
	Please sign name:	
A5 Leader / Deputy Leader	Please print name: J	
	Please sign name:	
A6 Date of Decision	[15 Dec 2016	I
Confidentiality		
A7 Is this Decision confidential by containing exempt information as described in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972?	No	
A7.1 If yes, please state relevant paragraph from Schedule 12A LGA 1972.	Paragraph [ ]	
Scrutiny		
A8 Which Scrutiny Committee should this decision be submitted to?  (Please tick as appropriate)		ate) 🗸
Scrutiny (Promoting Local Economic Growth) Committee		
Scrutiny (Value for Money Council Services) Committee		<b>√</b>
Scrutiny (Protecting and Strengthening Communities) Committee		
Scrutiny (East Staffordshire Health) Committee		

<b>B1</b> What is the Decision?	Increase search fees on the Con29 element of search requests by 20% (vatable amount), from the 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2017.
<b>B2</b> What are the reasons for the Decision?	HMRC will impose VAT on the Con29 element of search requests from the 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2017.
<b>B3</b> What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities?	Value for money
<b>B4</b> What are the Human Rights considerations?	There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.

# Financial Implications

<b>B5</b> What are the financial	There will be no financial issues arising from this
implications?	decision. Due to the increase in Con29 search
Te,	fees to take account of the recent announcement
	from HMRC.

Revenue	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19

Capital	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19

The finance section has been	Please print name: S
approved by the following member of the Financial Management Unit:	Please sign name:
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# **Policy Framework**

<b>B6</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's policy framework?	Yes
<b>B6.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	NA
<b>B6.</b> 2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	Yes/No (please delete as appropriate)
<b>B7</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's budget?	Yes
<b>B7.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	NA
<b>B7.2</b> Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	Yes/No (please delete as appropriate)

## **Equalities Implications**

**B8** What are the Equalities implications:

**B8.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

B8.2 Negative (Threats): None

**B8.3** The subject of this decision is not a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. An equality impact assessment is not required.

#### **Risk Assessment**

**B9** What are the Risk Assessment implications:

**B9.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): VAT will not be absorbed within Council budgets

B9.2 Negative (Threats): None

**B9.3** The risks do not need to be entered in the Risk Register. Any financial implications to mitigate against these risks are considered above.

## **Legal Considerations**

**B10** What are the Legal Considerations:

**B10.1** There are no significant legal issues arising from this decision.

This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team:

Please print name: Angela Wakefield

Please sign name:

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## **Sustainability Implications**

**B11** What are the Sustainability implications:

**B11.1** The proposal would result in an overall positive effect in terms of sustainability (including climate change and change adaptation measures). The positive/negative impacts are set out below (please refer to guidance notes).

**B11.2** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): Any additional work generated in the workplace to carry out the task will be kept to a minimum.

B11.3 Negative (Threats): None

### **Health & Safety Implications**

**B12** What are the Health & Safety implications:

**B12.1** A Risk Assessment has not been carried out and entered into Harriet for all significant hazards and risks because there are no significant hazards or risks arising from this decision.

**B12.2** Any financial implications to mitigate against these hazards and risks are considered above.

### **Key Decision**

B13 Is this a Key Decision?	No (please delete as appropriate)

Note: A Key Executive Decision is one where:

- 1. REVENUE Any contract or proposal with an annual payment or saving of more than £100,000
- 2. CAPITAL Any capital project with a value in excess of £150,000
- 3. A decision which significantly affects communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

<b>B13.1</b> If this is a Key Decision, is this an urgent decision such that a delay caused by use of the Call-in Procedure would	Yes/No/NA (please delete as appropriate)
seriously prejudice the public interest?  B13.2 If yes, has the Mayor or in his/her	Yes/No/NA (please delete as
absence the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the Chair of the relevant	appropriate)
Scrutiny Committee agreed that the decision will be exempt from Call-in?	£1

NOTE: If this decision is subject to the Call-in Procedure it will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 3 working days after publication – unless 10 Members of the Council call in the decision.

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