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Dear Councillor

GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE – (GE04 17) BUSINESS RATES DISCRETIONARY RELIEF FUND

Please find attached a General Exception notice in respect of a decision to be taken by the Director of EK Services to approve a scheme to provide discretionary relief to local businesses that have seen an increase in their business rates as a result of the Government's revaluation.

This is a Key Decision which was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions. However, the decision may still be taken provided 5 clear days have elapsed between publishing a General Exception notice and informing the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee, and the decision being taken.

Members of the public who require further information are asked to contact Kate Batty-Smith on 01304 872303 or by e-mail at kate.batty-smith@dover.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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