

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

ALL-AGE CARER'S STRATEGY – REFUSAL OF CALL-IN REQUEST

Purpose of the Report

1. To advise Overview Committee of the refusal of the call-in request that was submitted in relation to the Cabinet decision taken on 9 March 2023 on the All-age Carer's Strategy.
2. The Council's Constitution states that the Monitoring Officer will submit a report at the next available meeting of the Overview Committee giving details of a request for a call-in of a decision that was refused and reasons for that refusal.

Information

3. On 13 March a letter was submitted to the Monitoring Officer by Councillor Foale as lead member to request that the Cabinet decision taken on 9 March 2023 on the All-age Carer's Strategy be called-in. The letter requesting the call-in of the decision is attached at **Appendix 1**.
4. On 17 March the Monitoring Officer wrote to Councillor Foale to advise that having considered the request, the Cabinet report and decision complied with the law and the Council's Constitution and that on balance the information provided in the request was insufficient to sustain a call-in. Therefore, the call-in request had been refused. The Monitoring Officer also reflected on steps proposed to develop the Council's approach to scrutiny going forward. The letter refusing the call-in request is attached at **Appendix 2**.

Other Options Considered

5. None. As detailed in the Council's Constitution it is required that the Monitoring Officer submits a report to the next available meeting of the Overview Committee that provides details on a request for call-in of a decision that was refused and the reasons for that refusal.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. That in accordance with the Council's Constitution, to advise Overview Committee of a request for a call-in of a Cabinet decision that was refused and the reasons for that refusal

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

8. There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That Overview Committee notes the call-in request that was made in relation to the Cabinet decision on the All-age Carer's Strategy and the response from the Monitoring Officer refusing the request.

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Constitutional Comments (GMG 09/05/23)

9. This report meets the reporting requirement imposed on the Monitoring Officer set out in Section 6, Part 2, Appendix 2, paragraph 13 of the Council's Constitution (see p.109).

Finance Comments (SES 09/05/23)

10. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- [Cabinet agenda 9 March 2023](#)
- [Cabinet Minutes 9 March 2023](#)

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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