

CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

Report to:- Carlisle City Council

Date of Meeting:- 1 February 2011

Agenda Item No:-

Public

**Title:- OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES
CALL-IN AND URGENCY**

Report of:- ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (GOVERNANCE)

Report reference:- GD.10/11

Summary:-

Rule 15.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules deals with the procedure in respect of occasions where decisions taken by the Executive are urgent and where the call-in procedure should not apply. In such instances the Mayor must agree that the decision proposed is reasonable in the circumstances and should be treated as a matter of urgency.

The record of the decision and the Decision Notice needs to state that the decision is urgent and not subject to call-in. Decisions, which have been taken under the urgency provisions, must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council together with reasons for urgency.

At the meeting of the Executive on 19 January 2011 the Executive considered a number of reports and minutes relating to the Council's 2011/12 Budget as follows:

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers: None

(i) **Budget 2011/12**

(a) Consideration of Consultation Feedback

- Meeting Large Employers Affinity Group – 7 January 2011
- Meeting Trade Unions – 7 January 2011
- Excerpt from Resources Overview & Scrutiny Panel – 6 January 2011
- Consultation feedback from staff / a member of the public

(b) Revenue Estimates - Summary of Overall Budgetary Position 2011/12 - 2015/16

(c) Provisional Capital Programme 2011/12 to 2015/16

(d) Treasury Management Strategy Statement, Investment Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Strategy 2011/12

(e) Executive Response to the Budget Consultation and Recommendations for the 2011/12 Budget

These items are all to be considered by the Council at its Special Meeting on 1 February 2011. If a call-in were to be received on any of these items, the call-in procedure would overlap the City Council meeting.

The Executive's draft Budget recommendations have been considered by the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel. All Members will have received copies of the above minutes and reports with the Summons for the Special Council Meeting and will have the opportunity to debate the Executive's Budget recommendations at the Council meeting on 1 February 2011. It was considered that any delay caused by a call-in on any of these items would seriously prejudice the Council's interest in progressing the budget.

For the above reason, the Mayor agreed that the above decisions were urgent and the call-in process should not be applied.

Recommendation:-

That the position be noted.

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Impact assessments

Does the change have an impact on the following?

Equality Impact Screening	Impact Yes/No?	Is the impact positive or negative?
Does the policy/service impact on the following?		
Age	No	N/A
Disability	No	N/A
Race	No	N/A
Gender/ Transgender	No	N/A
Sexual Orientation	No	N/A
Religion or belief	No	N/A
Human Rights	No	N/A
Health inequalities	No	N/A
Rurality	No	N/A

If you consider there is either no impact or no negative impact, please give reasons:

Any impact would be dealt with within the body of the reports referred to

If an equality Impact is necessary, please contact the P&P team.