

# Report to Council

Agenda  
Item:  
  
**19**

Meeting Date: 10 September 2013  
 Portfolio: Cross Cutting  
 Key Decision: Not Applicable  
 Within Policy and Budget Framework: NO  
 Public / Private: Public

Title: OPERATION OF THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO CALL-IN AND URGENCY  
 Report of: Director of Governance  
 Report Number: GD.40/13

**Purpose / Summary:**

To report on the operation of call-in and urgency since the previous report to Council on 16 July 2013.

**Recommendations:**

That the position be noted.

**Tracking**

Executive:	N/A
Overview and Scrutiny:	N/A
Council:	10 September 2013

## **1. BACKGROUND**

This report has been prepared in accordance with Rule 15(i) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules which deal 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 Chairman of the Council (i.e. 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 need 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 the reasons for urgency.

## **2. OPERATION OF THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO CALL IN AND URGENCY**

The Executive, at their meeting on 2 September 2013, considered the following reports which were referred to Council. These items are all to be considered by the Council on 10 September 2013. If a call-in were to be received on any of the items, the call-in procedure would overlap the City Council meeting.

All Members will have received copies of the reports and minutes with the Summons for the Council meeting and will have the opportunity to consider the items at the Council meeting on 10 September 2013.

- Draft Medium Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2018/19
- Draft Capital Strategy 2014/15 to 2018/19
- Draft Asset Management Plan 2013 – 2018

Copies of the above reports were submitted to and considered by the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel at their meeting on 29 August 2013. It was considered that any delay caused by a call-in on any of the items detailed above would prejudice the Council's interests in progressing the budget and the review of the Asset Management Plan.

The Mayor has agreed that the above decisions are urgent and, for the reasons set out above, that the call-in process should not be applied to the decisions.

Members will also be aware that, at a special meeting held on 15 July 2013, the Executive considered a report on the Local Plan – Land Allocations, which was subsequently considered by the City Council on 16 July 2013. The Mayor agreed that the decision was urgent since the call-in procedures would have overlapped the City Council meeting on 16 July 2013.

#### **4. CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

**4.1** That the position be noted.

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**Appendices** None  
**attached to report:**

**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

#### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS/RISKS:**

**Chief Executive's** – N/A

**Community Engagement** – N/A

**Economic Development** – N/A

**Governance** – Report is by the Director of Governance and legal comments are included.

**Local Environment** – N/A

**Resources** - N/A