

COUNCIL, 22 March 2023

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

SUBJECT: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY RULES – EXCEPTION TO THE CALL-IN (REQUISITION) PROCEDURE

SUMMARY

Under paragraph 18e of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, the Leader of the Council is required to submit reports to Council on decisions taken by himself, Cabinet or individual Cabinet members, or key decisions made by a member of staff in the circumstances set out in Rule 18 (exemption to the call-in (requisition) procedure) within the previous 3 months.

This report lists matters exempt from call-in between 15 November 2022 and 2 March 2023.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the report be noted.

REPORT DETAIL

- 1. Rule 18 of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules provides that:
 - (b) The call-in procedure shall not apply where a decision being taken by Cabinet or an individual Cabinet member, or a key decision made by a member of staff is urgent. A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public interests.

The record of the decision and notice by which it is made shall state whether in the opinion of the decision making person or body, the decision is an urgent one, and therefore not subject to call-in.

- (c) The decision making person or body can only take an urgent decision under (a) above and avoid the call-in procedures after obtaining agreement from the Chairman of the Board that the decision be treated as urgent.
- 2. A list of the Executive Decisions where exemption from call-in was granted between 15 November 2022 and 2 March 2023 appears below.

Decision		Decision Maker	Date	Reason for Special Urgency
1.	NEL Health Inequalities Funding	Section 151 Officer, Dave McNamara	08.12.2022	The Chairman of the Overview & Scrutiny Board gave permission to waive Call-in in order to allow funding to be distributed expeditiously
2.	Acceptance of funding from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC)	Section 151 Officer, Dave McNamara	28.01.2023	The Chairman of the Overview & Scrutiny Board gave permission to waive Call-in to allow the Council to accept grant funding by the specified deadline.

Financial Implications and Risks:

While there were financial implications around the decision described in this report, there are none directly associated with this report.

Legal Implications and Risks:

There are no immediate legal implications directly associated with this report.

Human Resource Implications and Risks:

There are none directly associated with this report.

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Equalities and Social Inclusion Implications and Risks:

There are none directly associated with this report.

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Background paper List

None