REPORT TO: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY AGENDA ITEM: 6

COMMITTEE

DATE OF CATEGORY:

MEETING: 12 JUNE 2024 RECOMMENDED

REPORT FROM: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – LAW AND OPEN

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CALL IN

WARD(S) ALL TERMS OF AFFECTED: REFERENCE:

## 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That Committee consider the request for Call In of the decision made at the Environmental and Development Services Committee on 30 May 2024, relating to the item titled Planning Services Review.

- 1.2 That Committee defer the item for discussion to agenda item 9, under exempt items and consider resolving as follows.
  - (i) That the matter is referred back to the Environmental and Development Services Committee for reconsideration; or
  - (ii) That the matter is referred to Council.

#### 2.0 Purpose of the Report

2.1 For Committee to consider the request for Call In of the decision made by the Environmental and Development Services Committee, relating to the approval of the Planning Services Review.

#### 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 On 30 May 2024 the Environmental and Development Services Committee considered an exempt report relating to the Planning Services Review. Following the meeting the Decision Notice was published on 31 May 2024.
- 3.2 Members of both the Council and the Environmental and Development Services Committee had written to both the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer of the Council expressing concern around the lack of documentation appended to the Planning Services Review report.
- 3.3 In line with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules on 6 June a Call In request was made by three Members of the Council.
- 3.4 Members of the Committee are asked to resolve as identified at recommendation 1.2. Where Members consider there is a breach of the principles of decision making the

matter will be referred to the Environmental and Development Services Committee (as the Policy Committee making the decision) for reconsideration of the matter. Where the Committee consider there is a breach of the Budgetary and Policy Framework, the matter will be referred to Council.

#### 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising out of this Call In. However, any delay to implementing the decisions made by the Environmental and Development Committee (for which the financial implications remain subject to approval of the Finance and Management Committee) or changes to those decisions, may have financial implications.

## 5.0 Corporate Implications

## **Employment Implications**

5.1 None arising directly from this report.

#### **Legal Implications**

5.2 The Committee will resolve for reconsideration to the Policy committee where it considers there is breach of the principles of decision making. The Committee will resolve to refer the matter to Council where it is in breach of the Budgetary and policy Framework.

## **Council Plan Implications**

5.3 None.

#### Risk Impact

5.4 None.

### 6.0 **Community Impact**

## Consultation

6.1 Not applicable.

#### **Equality and Diversity Impact**

6.2 Not applicable.

#### **Social Value Impact**

6.3 Not applicable.

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

6.4 Not applicable.

#### 7.0 Conclusions

7.1 Call In enables the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to scrutinise decisions before they are implemented. This may lead to a reconsideration of the decision by the relevant Policy Committee.

# 8.0 Background Papers

Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.