

DECISION-MAKER:	COUNCIL		
SUBJECT:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY: SUMMARY OF CALL-IN ACTIVITY		
DATE OF DECISION:	15 NOVEMBER 2023		
REPORT OF:	SCRUTINY MANAGER		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
None			
BRIEF SUMMARY			
This report provides the Council with a summary of the use of the Call-in procedure since the previous update in May 2023.			
RECOMMENDATIONS:			
	(i)	That the report be noted.	
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS			
1.	The Council's Constitution requires the use of Call-in to be reported to Council.		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED			
2.	Not applicable.		
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)			
3.	One executive decision has been called-in by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) since the previous update to Council on 17 May 2023. The details of the Call-in, and the outcomes resulting from the Call-In meeting, are summarised in this report.		
	Called-in Decision: CAB 23/24 37963 – Holcroft House Options		
4.	Reasons given for the Call-in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers in attendance at OSMC were unable to provide detailed answers on fire safety works despite this being purported to be the principal reason for the recommendation to close the home. Requests for further details after the OSMC and Cabinet meetings not provided. • 2022 Report of Independent Fire Safety expert not provided to OSMC or Cabinet despite being referenced in Cabinet papers. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed market analysis not provided to OSMC or as part of the Cabinet Decision. At OSMC families said that a March 2023 market survey had not been shared. • Concerns raised about market vulnerability – due to pressures of SCC funded places on private homes. This was not sufficiently addressed by the Cabinet Member at OSMC or Cabinet. • Lack of timely response to the 43 written questions submitted by Unite. Responses not provided to the Union or OSMC, so this was unable to inform discussions and questions at 14th September meeting of the OSMC.
	Recommendations from the Call-in meeting
5.	<p>The OSMC considered the item at a meeting on 5 October 2023. Following the discussion, the Committee did not recommend that the decision be reconsidered by Cabinet, thereby enabling the decision to be implemented without delay. The Committee did however make the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) That, to enhance decision making moving forward, sufficient time is allowed for appropriate engagement with stakeholders. (ii) That the Executive Director for Wellbeing and Housing ensures that the Council effectively supports the movement of residents between care homes and that recommended best practice is followed in this regard. (iii) That, at an appropriate time, an update report outlining progress with regards to the implementation of the recommendations within the Cabinet report is shared with the Committee.
6.	The Executive's response to the recommendations will be published with the 22 November 2023 OSMC agenda.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue</u>	
7.	None.
<u>Property/Other</u>	
8.	None.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
9.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
10.	None
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS	
11.	None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
12.	None
KEY DECISION	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
Appendices	
1.	None
Documents In Members' Rooms	
1.	None
Equality Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out?	No
Data Protection Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out?	No
Other Background Documents	
Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:	
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	None