

<b>Title of meeting:</b>	Scrutiny Management Panel
<b>Date of meeting:</b>	27 September 2022
<b>Subject:</b>	Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Planning Policy & City Development on 26 July 2022 in respect of item 4 on that agenda "Options for increasing Planning Committee Capacity."- <b>Call-in</b>
<b>Report by:</b>	City Solicitor
<b>Wards affected:</b>	All
<b>Key decision:</b>	No
<b>Full Council decision:</b>	No

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## 1. Purpose of report.

- 1.1 To request the Panel to review the decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Planning Policy & City Development on 26 July 2022 in respect of item 4 on that agenda 'Options for increasing Planning Committee Capacity'.
- 1.2 A copy of the Decision Notice for the meeting is attached as Appendix 3 to this report.

## 2. Call In and alternative decision making.

- 2.1 These decisions have been called-in in accordance with Part 3 of the Constitution of the Council. Whilst called-in for two reasons, the City Solicitor has deemed only one of these reasons as valid, namely:
  - (i) Believe the decision may have been taken without adequate information.
- 2.2 The call-in requisition form and further details for the reason for the call-in are attached at Appendices 1 and 2.

## 3. Recommendations.

The Scrutiny Management Panel is requested to consider the evidence and decide whether to resolve: either

- (1) that no action should be taken in respect of the decision made by the Cabinet Member for Planning Policy & City Development on 26 July 2022. The decision will then be effective immediately; or

(2) that it should be referred back to the decision maker (or as a constitutional matter the Governance & Audit & Standards Committee) for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of its concerns that are to be addressed in conjunction with the original matter.

#### **4. Background**

- 4.1. Please see attached report and decision record which provide the background to the decision made on 26 July 2022 (Appendices 3 and 4).
- 4.2. Please see attached Procedure Note (Appendix 5).
- 4.3. Pending the outcome of the call-in process, the decision has not been implemented.

#### **5. Reasons for recommendations**

To ensure that the Scrutiny Management Panel is satisfied that the decision maker made the decision based upon accurate and adequate information.

#### **6. Integrated impact assessment**

The contents of this report do not have any relevant equalities and environmental impact and therefore an Integrated Impact assessment is not required.

#### **7. Legal implications**

There are none - the process is set out in the Procedure Note- Appendix 5.

#### **8. Director of Finance's comments**

There are no direct financial implications arising directly from the recommendations contained in this report.

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Signed by: Peter Baulf, City Solicitor

## APPENDIX 2



### Appendices:

**Appendix 1** - Call in Request (redacted)

**Appendix 2** - Supporting information submitted in respect of the Call in

**Appendix 3** - Decision Notice for 26 July 2022 Planning Policy & City Development meeting

**Appendix 4** - 'Options for increasing Planning Committee capacity' report considered by the Cabinet Member for Planning Policy & City Development on 26 July 2022

**Appendix 5** - Call in procedure guidance

### Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
N/A	