

Committee: Council

Date: 2 February 2011

Agenda item: 13

Wards:

Subject: Call-in and Urgency – London Councils Grants Committee Budget Scheme 2011/12

Lead officer: Helen White, Head of Civic and Legal Services

Lead member: Councillor Stephen Alambritis, Leader of the Council

Forward Plan reference number:

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Recommendations:

- A. That Council note the taking of an urgent key decision requiring the waiving of the call-in procedure.
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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report appries Council of the taking of an urgent key decision in accordance with the provisions of Part 4 E, section 17 of the Council's constitution.

2 DETAILS

- 2.1. The Constitution makes provision for the taking of an urgent decision i.e. "Part 4 E, Paragraph 17(a) states that the call-in procedure ...shall not apply where the decision being taken 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's interests.
- 2.2. In accordance with paragraph 17(b) of the constitution the above titled report was brought to the attention of the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Commission who agreed its exemption from call in since any call in would delay the ability of the Council to respond to London Councils in keeping with their deadline for this purpose (1 February).
- 2.3. Paragraph (c) of section 17 requires that "Decisions taken as a matter of urgency must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council together with the reason for urgency (the reason for urgency is identified at 2.2 above).

3 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 3.1. None for the purpose of this report.

4 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED

- 4.1. None for the purpose of this report.

5 TIMETABLE

5.1. None for the purpose of this report

6 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS

6.1. None for the purpose of this report.

7 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

7.1. None for the purpose of this report.

8 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS

8.1. None for the purpose of this report.

9 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

9.1. None for the purpose of this report.

10 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

10.1. None for the purpose of this report.

11 APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT

None

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

12.1. None.

