

Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Briefing Note: Rejected Call-in Request for the Planning Development Management Performance Report

Purpose of the briefing note: For the Place Overview and Scrutiny (O&S) Committee to note the rejected call-in request for the Planning Development Management Performance report.

- 1.1 The Planning Development Management Performance report was presented to Cabinet on 12th February 2025, and subsequently agreed at this meeting.
- 1.2 Following this Cabinet decision on 12th February, a call-in request was received on 19th February 2025 from Councillor Neil Speight.
- 1.3 The reasons for call-in included the lack of subjective judgement in the report on the performance of the planning department; the report did not address the concerns of the Full Council motion, specifically “the remit will include a full and detailed investigation into how and why the Council has not been able to formulate a new Local Plan”; and the report was not detailed enough.
- 1.4 The call-in request was not progressed as Rule 2.3(e)(iii) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules was applied, which can be found using the following link: [Constitution Chapter 4 - Part 2 Call-in](#) .
- 1.5 Rule 2.3(e)(iii) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules states:
 - The call-in is considered by the Chief Executive to be...outside the scope of call-in provisions.
- 1.6 In accordance with 2.3(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, this briefing note provides the relevant O&S Committee (Place O&S Committee) with the details and reasons for the rejections.

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