

**DECISION-MAKER:** COUNCIL  
**SUBJECT:** OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY: SUMMARY OF CALL-IN ACTIVITY  
**DATE OF DECISION:** 18 MARCH 2015  
**REPORT OF:** ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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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 over the last six months.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (i) That the report be noted.

**REASON FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. The Council's Constitution requires the use of Call-in to be reported to Council on a half yearly basis.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

2. None.

**DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)**

3. Two executive decisions have been called-in since the previous update report to Full Council in September 2014. The details of the Call-Ins and the outcomes resulting from the Call-In meeting are summarised in this report.
4. **CAB 14/15 13741- Future of the Respite Service for Adults with Learning Disabilities and CAB 14/15 13739- Future of Day Services in Southampton.**

**Reasons given for the Call-ins:**

- Insufficient consideration of consultation feedback.

## **Recommendations from the Call-In meeting:**

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee considered both items at its meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Following discussion with the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care the Committee agreed that both decisions should be reconsidered and the Committee recommended that:-

- a) the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care defers the decisions until all assessments with service users and carers have been completed and that the users' dignity and needs be respected through the process and not be affected by financial issues;
  - b) officers be requested to identify, or provide, a suitable alternative to the respite services at Kentish Road as Shared Lives do not meet the needs of all service users;
  - c) no Adult Social Care Services be closed until alternative services supplying the same standard of care could be guaranteed for the needs of all service users and carers and that the alternative services be quality-assured on an ongoing basis;
  - d) that officers be requested to have an ongoing dialogue with St Denys Area Community Centre regarding the future usage of the centre, and include the Chair of the Centre in any discussions with Sport England; and
  - e) officers be requested to ensure that the processes and systems used to administer the provision of direct payments be improved on an urgent basis in order to support an increase in the take-up of direct payments.
5. At the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015 meeting Cabinet agreed the following modified recommendations with regards to CAB 14/15 13741 - Future of the Respite Service for Adults with Learning Disabilities:-
- (i) To consider the responses received during a public consultation into the future of Respite Services for adults with learning disabilities conducted between 24 July and 23 October 2014, outlined in Appendix 1.
  - (ii) To note the intention to move the provision of respite care towards individual packages of care that make increased use of Direct Payments through a range of alternative options including shared lives and short breaks.
  - (iii) To note that the needs of current service users and their carers will be thoroughly assessed prior to and following their moves to ensure that these needs continue to be met and to reduce any impact on their wellbeing.
  - (iv) To authorise a phased closure of Kentish Road beginning with supporting clients with lower needs, followed by those with higher needs to access alternative respite options with a clear focus on more personalised support being accessed and resulting in the eventual total closure of the Kentish Road service by April 2015.
  - (v) To note that if the proposal is agreed to undertake a 45 day consultation with affected staff with a view to minimising or avoiding compulsory redundancies.

(vi) To delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care following consultation with the Leader and the Director, People to do anything necessary to give effect to the proposals in this report.

(vii) To approve the establishment of a dedicated team of experienced social work practitioners (from existing resources) to complete a thorough assessment of the needs of all individuals who currently receive a directly provided day and, or, respite service and that the anticipated outcome of these assessments will be:-

(a) The individual will be deemed not to have eligible social care needs and so will be signposted to access universal or other appropriate services or support.

(b) The individual or their representative will choose to receive a Direct Payment and will use this to purchase the care and support needed to meet their eligible social care needs; or

(c) The council will commission the care and support needed to meet an individual's eligible social care needs on their behalf.

(d) The council will then seek to carry out an annual assessment of individuals' and carers' needs.

(viii) To note that it is anticipated that the assessments will be completed by 28 February 2015.

(ix) To note that no service will be closed or withdrawn until all assessments have been completed and individuals with eligible social care needs have been supported to move to suitable alternatives.

(x) To require a progress report at the Cabinet meeting in March 2015. This report will include a list of costed options for respite care.

(xi) To note that the commissioning of any new service will involve engagement with service users and carers.

(xii) To authorise support for those service users and their carers (who need it) wishing to take a Direct Payment, provided either by the council or a contracted third party.

6. At the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015 meeting Cabinet agreed the following modified recommendations with regards to CAB 14/15 13739 - Future of Day Services in Southampton:-

(i) To consider the responses received during a public consultation into the future of Southampton Day Services conducted between 24 July and 23 October 2014, outlined in Appendix 1.

(ii) To authorise the restructured Southampton Day Services service to cease service delivery out of two centres, (St Denys and Freemantle) and all satellite bases when all of their current service users have been supported to move to suitable alternative care settings and to restructure the remaining service to provide an alternative model of delivery that is fit for the future needs of Southampton residents and users.

(iii) To note that the needs of current service users and their carers will be thoroughly assessed prior to and following their moves to ensure that these needs continue to be met and to reduce any impact on their wellbeing.

(iv) To note that if the proposal is agreed to undertake a 45 day consultation with affected staff with a view to minimising or avoiding compulsory redundancies.

(v) To note that a further review may be required into alternative delivery models following a restructure.

(vi) To delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care following consultation with the Leader and the Director, People to do anything necessary to give effect to the proposals in this report.

(vii) To approve the establishment of a dedicated team of experienced social work practitioners (from existing resources) to complete a thorough assessment of the needs of all individuals who currently receive a directly provided Day and, or, Respite Service and that the anticipated outcome of these assessments will be:-

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(d) The council will then seek to carry out an annual assessment of individuals' and carers' needs.

(viii) To note that it is anticipated that the assessments will be completed by 28 February 2015.

(ix) To note that no service will be closed or withdrawn until all assessments have been completed and individuals with eligible social care needs have been supported to move to suitable alternatives.

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## **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Capital/Revenue**

7. None

### **Property/Other**

8. None.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

### **Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:**

9. The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.

**Other Legal Implications:**

10. None

**POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS**

11. None.

**KEY DECISION?** No

<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	None
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**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Appendices**

	None
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**Documents In Members' Rooms**

	None
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**Equality Impact Assessment**

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.	No
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**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	
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