

CALL-IN NOTICE

To be completed by Members of the Public, as per the provisions of Committee Procedure Rule 46.5.

To: The Director of Legal and Governance Services

1. Notice of Call-In of Executive Decision

In accordance with Committee Procedure Rule 46.5, we, the 150 signatories to this call-in notice (see numbered continuation sheets overleaf), being members of the public registered on the electoral roll of the London Borough of Harrow, hereby give notice that we wish to call-in the Executive decision detailed in section 2 below.

2. Details of Executive Decision

The details of the Executive decision are as follows:-

Decision: *grant funding for year 2011-2012*

Made by: *Cabinet*
(Cabinet/relevant Portfolio Holder)

Published on: *16th April 2011*
(Date)

3. Grounds for Call-In

(Please specify below the grounds for the call-in, in accordance with Committee Procedure Rule 46.5. Please note that, in the event that this call-in is referred to the Call-in Sub-Committee, the considerations of the Sub-Committee will focus on the grounds stated, and the Sub-Committee will seek evidence to support them. Please therefore also set out below details of the evidence to support the grounds for call-in, continuing on a separate sheet if necessary).

1. *Inadequate Consultation with stakeholders - there has been no consultation with people whose reliance on services is so great that it is unfair to remove services without consultation.*

2. *The absence of adequate evidence on which to base the*

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decision - it is unclear how the scoring was prioritised
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to enable so many groups to attain high scores of over 95%. In
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addition, Grants Panel members were given only 1 day to review
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the decisions made by the Officer Panels, & review was not
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adequate.
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- That the matter should be referred back to the decision -
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Once completed, please forward this form to Alison Atherton or Claire Vincent, Legal & Governance Services, Harrow Council, Room 127, Civic Centre, HA1 2UH or send it by fax to 020 8424 1557 WITHIN 5 CLEAR WORKING DAYS OF THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE DECISION.

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maker for consideration. In such a case the call-in sub-committee must set out the nature of its' concerns to the decision maker – in this case it is essential for the decision to be called in for reconsideration, as the appeals process is inadequate to deal with the issues involved.

The action is not proportionate to the desired outcome – the proposed decision to cut some long standing and essential services which have significantly reduced poverty, social exclusion and serious disadvantage to vulnerable people in Harrow cannot be said to be proportionate in savings to the adverse effects on the lives of those who have been affected.

A potential human rights challenge – this arises from the effects of withdrawing services which have significantly reduced poverty, social exclusion and serious disadvantage to vulnerable people in Harrow, at a time when one of the council's priority groups is vulnerable people

Insufficient consideration of legal and financial advice – the decisions made are potentially unlawful because under the amendment to The Equality Act 2010, the Public Sector Equality Duty which came into force on 5th April 2011, confirms that the impact on local disabled (and other people) must be assessed and properly taken into account for decisions to be valid.