

REQUEST FOR CALL-IN

This form is to be used when calling in a decision taken by the Cabinet, an Individual Member of the Cabinet or a committee of the Cabinet, or a key decision made by an officer with delegated authority from the Cabinet, or under joint arrangements. The full procedure is set out in paragraph 16, Part 4, Section 5 of the Constitution and page 7 of the Handbook.

ITEM TO BE CALLED IN: Storey – Tasting Garden	
DATE DECISION TAKEN: Tuesday 6 October 2015	
DECISION TAKEN BY:	Tick
Cabinet	√
Individual Member of Cabinet (please state) Councillor	
Committee of Cabinet (please state)	
Key Decision by Officer with delegated authority (please state)	
Joint Arrangements (please state)	
REASONS FOR CALL-IN: (please indicate your reasons below)	Tick
(a) Proportionality (i.e. the decision is not proportionate to the desired outcome).	
(b) Lack of, or insufficient consultation and the taking of professional advice from Officers.	
(c) Lack of, or insufficient respect for human rights.	
(d) Lack of openness.	
(e) The aims and desired outcomes of the decision are not clearly expressed.	√
(f) Insufficient information about the options that were considered or the reasons for arriving at the decision.	
(g) Other (please give your reason(s) in full below).	√

REASONS AND (IF APPROPRIATE) PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE COURSE OF ACTION:

WE WISH TO CALL IN THE DECISION OF CABINET MADE 6/10/15 REGARDING THE FUTURE OF THE TASTING GARDEN AT THE STOREY. THE DECISION TO ACCEPT OPTION 4 AS SET OUT IN THE AGENDA PAPERS HAS LED TO CONFUSION DUE TO LACK OF CLARITY IN THE WORDING. IT WAS STATED IN CABINET THAT OPTION 4 WOULD NOT PRECLUDE CONTINUED ATTEMPTS TO RESTORE THE ARTWORK, QUOTE 'DETAILS TO BE DETERMINED THROUGH THE MASTER PLANNING PROCESS THAT CABINET HAVE ALREADY AGREED'. THE FRIENDS GROUP HAVE SINCE HAD CONFIRMATION FROM OFFICERS THAT THE COUNCIL IS NOT PROCEEDING WITH THE MASTERPLAN OPTION FOR RESTORING THE ARTWORK. THIS ACTION WOULD APPEAR TO DIRECTLY CONTRADICT THE EXPRESSED WISHES OF CABINET AND ARISES FROM THE WORDING OF OPTION 4 NOT BEING CLEAR ABOUT WHAT WOULD ACTUALLY HAPPEN NEXT.

PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE:

THAT CABINET RECONSIDER THE DECISION SO AS TO ENABLE THE MEMBERS TRUE WISHES TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN ALLOWING FUND RAISING EFFORTS BY THE FRIENDS GROUP TO CONTINUE FOR A LIMITED PERIOD

THAT CABINET CONSIDER APPROVING THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Consider that restoration of the artwork is not a high priority for the Council, but nevertheless a minimal amount of officer time will be provided to clarify the governance issues necessary to enable the Friends group to apply for major grant funding to restore the artwork as the lead partner with the Council. This funding would need to include a reasonable sum to cover appropriate project management of the restoration, plus insurance and future maintenance costs of the artwork to minimise any future liability on the Council's budget. Following the clarification of governance issues and clear permission to proceed the Friends group to be given 12 months to raise the necessary funds. If fundraising is unsuccessful in this timescale the Council to revert to the alternative masterplan option of improving the gardens without restoring the artwork.

SIGNED:

Members of Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Cllr C Jackson

Cllr J Ashworth

Three Further Councillors

Cllr R Mace

Cllr N Wilkinson

Cllr Hamilton Cox

(Note: A valid request for call in must be signed by a total of 5 Members of the Council, including 2 or more Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, and all 5 Councillors must not be from the same political group.)

DATE:14.10.15

This request for call in must be submitted to the Chief Executive (by post, fax or e-mail) within 5 working days of the date of publication of the decision.