

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: ST. LEONARD'S HOUSE, LANCASTER Minute 90 of the 29 March 2016 Cabinet Meeting

Resolved unanimously:

(1) That Cabinet notes the progress made following the financial commitment made to progress the 'Stage 2' report for the redevelopment of St. Leonard's House as student accommodation.

(2) That Cabinet approves Option 1 as set out in the exempt report, this being the disposal of St. Leonard's House to Robertson Property Limited in line with the exclusivity agreement and other heads of terms developed through the Lancashire Regeneration Property Partnership (LRPP) as set out at Appendix A to the exempt report, in support of the economic wellbeing of the area.

(3) That progress on this matter be covered in the normal quarterly reporting arrangements.

DATE DECISION TAKEN: 29 March 2016

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Tick

Cabinet

X

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.

X

(c) Lack of, or insufficient respect for human rights.

(d) Lack of openness.

X

(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.

X

(g) Other (please give your reason(s) in full below).

X

The signatories to the call in are concerned that the decision to dispose of St. Leonard's House to Robertson Property Limited as set out in paragraph (2) of the minute does not represent the best outcome in support of the economic wellbeing of the area - and will ask questions accordingly at the call in.

We are also concerned that the Cabinet's decision making process surrounding this sale has involved insufficient consultation with members of Overview and Scrutiny. We will ask questions on pre-scrutiny procedure with a view to making recommendations that may improve assurance and decision making processes and reduce the need for calling in future Cabinet decisions.

SIGNED:	Members of Overview & Scrutiny Committee Cllr Caroline Jackson	Cllr Phillippa Williamson
	Three Further Councillors Cllr Mace	Cllr Hamilton Cox Cllr Joan Jackson

(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: 5 April 2016

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.