

THE DIRECTOR GOVERNANCE AND PARTNERSHIPS IS REQUESTED TO CALL-IN A

DECISION OF **Deputy Leader - Adults, Health, Families and Communities
Cabinet Member**

TAKEN ON **08/08/2023**

TITLE OF REPORT **Selective Licensing of Private Rented Accommodation**

MINUTE REFERENCE **7** REPORT REFERENCE **1.1**

CALL-IN REQUESTED BY (See Note 1)

Chairman or any two Members of any Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Name

Signature

Councillor Christine O'Sullivan



Councillor Steve Swift



DATE **09/08/2023**

Outline reasons for seeking a review of the decision and proposed alternative course of action.

Through data the Labour Group has obtained and analysed, we believe there are in excess of 180 unlicensed properties that are being used for multiple occupation within the Crosby and Park Ward alone, with yet more properties in the Town Ward.

Houses of Multiple Occupancy is a huge issue in Scunthorpe. Consequently, the Labour Group has submitted an added item to be considered by a scrutiny panel in the near future on this very issue.

The Labour Group has the following concerns about the report, namely –

- **The report references a public consultation and business case for a selective licensing scheme in North Lincolnshire. However, the appendix referred to in paragraph 2.6 has not published alongside the report. Please can the Labour Group see the appendix to explore which properties in Crosby & Park and Town wards it includes?**
- **What evidence is the council seeking to obtain, and how will this evidence be used to draft a business case?**
- **How will any business case, that is to be consulted on, be agreed before it is to be circulated for comment? Will members be able to**

view the evidence that has been received to assist in the process?

- How will the council consult on the business case? No information is contained in the report as to how it will be undertaken ie public events, written invitation to comment etc.
- Labour Councillors, via the Local Government elections, represent all of Scunthorpe. Therefore, the Labour Group, or at least the Shadow Cabinet Member, would respectfully request that once the evidence has been received, the council share the evidence so that it can contribute towards the business case.

Is the decision considered to be contrary to the policy framework or contrary to, or not wholly in accordance with the budget?

Yes - this has significant potential financial implications on associated budgets and future budget setting.

Please return to:-

The Director Governance & Partnerships
FAO Head of Democratic Services
Civic Centre
Scunthorpe DN16 1AB

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Note 1 – A decision made by the Cabinet, an individual member of the Cabinet or a committee of the Cabinet or a key decision made by an officer under delegated authority from the Cabinet or an area committee or under joint arrangements once published can be called-in by the Director Governance and Partnerships at the request of the Chairman or any two members of an appropriate Scrutiny Panel.

Note 2 – This form must be returned by 5.00 pm (4.30 pm on Friday) on the second working day after the publication of the decision (see below)

CALL-IN

Example timetable is as follows

EXECUTIVE PANEL MEETING DECISIONS*		PUBLICATION OF EXECUTIVE DEADLINE*		SCRUTINY CALL-IN DECISION		SCRUTINY TO MEET AND DEADLINE*
Monday	Π	Wednesday	Π	Friday	Π	Friday
Tuesday	Π	Thursday	Π	Monday	Π	Monday
Wednesday	Π	Friday	Π	Tuesday	Π	Tuesday
Thursday	Π	Monday	Π	Wednesday	Π	Wednesday
Friday	Π	Tuesday	Π	Thursday	Π	Thursday

*The above days do not include bank and other holidays

