Agenda Item 6



Report to Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee Thursday 28th August 2014

Subject: Call-In of Individual Cabinet Member Decision on Parking

Permit Prices Report

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Type of item:

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Reviewing of existing policy	
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1. Background

- 1.1 The Executive Director, Place submitted a report addressing two petitions which have been received requesting:
 - 1) That parking permit prices be returned to pre-2011 levels, which were £10 for a first residents permit, compared to the current £36.
 - 2) That permit prices be reduced for people on low incomes.
- 1.2 The report is attached at appendix A.
- 1.3 The Cabinet Member for Business, Skills & Development agreed that:
 - a) the requests contained in the two petitions be noted;
 - b) the permit prices already agreed for 2014/15 be endorsed without further charge; and
 - c) officers be instructed to advise the petitioners of the decision

- 1.4 As per Part 4, section 16 of Sheffield City Council's Constitution, this decision has been called in, preventing implementation of the decision until it has been considered by the relevant Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.5 The Call-In notice is attached at appendix B, stating that the reason for the call-in is to further scrutinise the evidence base of the above decision.

2 The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

- 2.1 As per the Scrutiny Procedure Rules, scrutinise the decision made by the Cabinet Member for and take one of the following courses of action:
 - (a) refer the decision back to the decision making body or individual for reconsideration in the light of recommendations from the Committee:
 - (b) request that the decision be deferred until the Scrutiny Committee has considered relevant issues and made recommendations to the Executive;
 - (c) take no action in relation to the called-in decision but consider whether issues arising from the call-in need to be added to the work programme of an existing Scrutiny Committee;
 - (d) if, but only if (having taken the advice of the Monitoring Officer and/or the Chief Finance Officer), the Committee determines that the decision is wholly or partly outside the Budget and Policy Framework, refer the matter, with any recommendations, to the Council after following the procedures in the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules
- 2.2 The decision was taken at the Highway Cabinet Member Decision Session which is technically an Individual Cabinet Member decision taken in public. The Scrutiny Procedure Rules state that if a decision is referred back it is referred back to the decision maker or body. In this instance that would be to the Cabinet Member for Business, Skills & Development at a Highway Cabinet Member Decision Session. This would also ensure any referral back of the decision would take place in a public meeting.

Background Papers:

Parking Permit Prices Report of Simon Green Executive Director, Place, to Highway Cabinet Member Decision Session on 12th June 2014 (attached)

Call-in Notice (attached)

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