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To Members of the Board

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 17 AUGUST

Notice of a Call in of a Board Decision– Officer and Support Services

On the 26th July 2017 the Combined Authority Board made a key decision relating to the Officer and Support Structure for the Combined Authority.

In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, five members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee requested the Committee to consider their request to call in this decision.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee met on 16 August to consider this request and received evidence from the Martin Whiteley, Chief Executive, Councillor Robin Howe, the Deputy Mayor and the HR support.

Following discussion and questions raised on the reasons stated on the request for call in, the Committee agreed to call in the decision and to refer it back to the Board to reconsider within 10 working days of receiving this notice of their recommendations. The committee's recommendations are:

Recommendations

That the Combined Authority Board reconsider their decision to approve the proposals in respect of the officer structure as set out in the report that went to the July Board meeting until:-

A higher level of detail is provided around the roles set out in the report and it is clearly defined how these roles will differ to those already carried out by similar officers at the constituent councils and how these officers will work together.

A report of the process that has been undertaken to create these roles to be provided to ensure that there has been a thorough consultation with constituent councils and that there will be no duplication of existing roles.

Although not part of the recommendations, the Committee also requested that information be provided to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee earlier so that they had more time to scrutinise and comment on Board reports.

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