

REPORT TO THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Report No. 6

Date of Meeting	19th September 2006
Title of Report	Consideration of Call In – Play Facilities Development and Management
Link to Corporate Priorities	Under the Corporate Plan priority areas of Cleaner, Safer and Better Streets, and Healthy Lifestyles this report links to the following aim: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish quality standards for Council's public open spaces. The report also links to the following Corporate Plan actions: Implementation of the Countryside and Open Space Strategy. Play facilities fall within the Member Portfolios for Streetscene; and Assets and Regeneration.
Public Report	YES

Summary of Report

The report sets out the procedure for considering called in decisions and appends the relevant Executive minute and report documentation.

Officer Recommendations

No officer recommendation is made.

Other than those implications agreed with the relevant Officers and referred to below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Financial Implications	Legal Implications	Community & Environmental Implications	Human Resources Implications	Equality & Diversity Implications
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 At their meeting on the 31st August 2006 the Executive considered the matter of Play Facilities Development and Management. The relevant Minute extract is included as Appendix One and the documentation considered by the Executive is included as Appendix One.
- 1.2 On the 6th September 2006 notification of Call In was received in accordance with Council Procedure Rules stating that the decision should be considered for the reason that it is believed that the decision is contrary to existing Council policies or financial regulations.

2. Options

- 2.1 Option 1: If, having heard all of the available evidence, the Committee agrees that the decision has been taken appropriately then a resolution can be made that the decision should be allowed to come into force. The decision will then come into force with immediate effect.
- 2.2 Option 2: If the Overview & Scrutiny Committee are of the view that the decision has been taken appropriately but there are still some minor concerns, then, whilst not referring the decision back for re-consideration, the Committee can make recommendations to the Executive. For example, recommendations may be made regarding procedures or practices that may need reviewing.
- 2.3 Option 3: If the Overview & Scrutiny Committee agrees that the decision has not been taken appropriately. i.e. If it is not consistent with the Policy & Budget Framework or not all of the material facts have been taken into account – then the decision can be referred back to the Executive for it to be re-considered. If this course of action is decided, then the referral will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Executive. Until the decision is re-considered by the Executive it cannot be implemented or actioned.

Note: The Committee must make an immediate decision as the call-in timescales and access to information rules do not allow for a deferral. If a decision is not made within 10 working days of the call-in, the decision is automatically implemented.

Appendices:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix One – Extract of Executive Minutes • Appendix Two – Report on Play Facilities Development and Management
Background Documents Used in the Preparation of this Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

Previous Decisions Connected with this Report

Report	Committee & Date	Minute Reference
Play Facilities Development and Management	Executive – 31 st August 2006	E52