Notice of motion No. 7 – Changing Call-in Procedures
From Cllrs Jon Hubbard and Gordon King

To consider the following motion:

‘Council resolves to amend the provisions on call-in as set out in Part 8 Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules of the constitution to enable a call-in request to be made by any 5 non-executive members of the council or the Chair of the Management Committee.

Specifically to amend Paragraph 34 removing the words "three members of the management committee" and inserting "five non-executive members of the council". Therefore the new paragraph would now read:

During that period, the designated scrutiny officer shall call-in a decision for scrutiny by the management committee if so requested by the chair or any five non-executive members of the Council, and shall then notify the decision-maker of the call-in. He/she shall call a meeting of the management committee on such date as he/she may determine, where possible after consultation with the chair of the management committee, and in any case within five days of the decision to call-in.

This change to the constitution to take immediate effect.’

In accordance with the constitution which requires changes to the constitution being approved by Council only after consideration of the proposal by the Standards Committee and the Monitoring Officer, this motion was brought to the attention of the Standards Committee on 20 January 2014.

The Standards Committee agreed that the appropriate opportunity to debate the proposed change could be had at this Council meeting. Furthermore, it was content for the matter to be considered and determined by this Council meeting without referral back to the Standards Committee.