

LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	WARDS: All
REPORT TITLE: Items Exempted from Call-In on Grounds of Urgency	
REPORT OF: Borough Solicitor	
FOR SUBMISSION TO: Council	DATE: 18 th September 2023
SUMMARY OF REPORT: This report sets out for information details of an item which has recently been exempted from call-in on grounds of urgency. Local Government Act 1972 – Access to Information No documents which require listing were used in the preparation of this report. Contact Officer: Vicky Wemyss-Cooke Committee Services Crowndale Centre 218 Eversholt Street London NW1 1BD Telephone: 020 7974 5726 E-Mail: vicky.wemyss-cooke@camden.gov.uk	
RECOMMENDATION: That the Council notes the report.	



Signed by the Borough Solicitor

Date: 7th September 2023

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report sets out the circumstances under which a report may be exempted from call-in and details a report that has recently been exempted. The report is coming to Members as the Constitution states that all such items must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council.

2. Background

- 2.1 Under the Council's Constitution any four Members of the Council may submit a request for any decision of the Cabinet, an individual member of the Cabinet or a committee of the Cabinet, or a key decision of an officer or under joint arrangements, to be called-in for consideration by the relevant Council Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.2 However, where the decision making body considers that a matter is so urgent that any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interest, it may state that it is urgent and that it should not be subject to call-in. The consent of the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee is also required.
- 2.3 The Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee must agree both that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency. This must then be reported to the next full Council meeting.

3. Report exempted from call-in

- 3.1 The following decision has recently been exempted from call-in:-

Haverstock Hill and Rosslyn Hill Walking, Cycling and Road Safety Proposals (SC/2023/23)

The Cabinet Member for a Sustainable Camden approved the recommendations set out in the report on 10th July 2023.

The Experimental Traffic Order (ETO) was due to expire on 26th July, and any delay caused by call-in would have resulted in the scheme having to be removed upon the expiration of the ETO, incurring considerable cost both for removing the scheme, and then for reinstating it if the Cabinet Member's decision to proceed was subsequently confirmed. An exemption from call in was therefore agreed by the Chair of the Culture and Environment Scrutiny Committee.

4. Comments of the Borough Solicitor

4.1 The Borough Solicitor has no comments to add.

5. Finance Comments of the Executive Director Corporate Services

5.1 The Executive Director Corporate Services has no comments to add.

6. Environmental Implications

6.1 There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

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