LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN WARDS:

REPORT TITLE:

Items Exempted from Call-In on Grounds of Urgency

REPORT OF:

Borough Solicitor

FOR SUBMISSION TO: DATE:

Council 4th March 2024

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.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council notes the report.

Signed by the Borough Solicitor

Date: 22nd February 2024

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:-

Housing Revenue Account Budget and Rent Review 2024/25

The Cabinet approved the recommendations set out in the report on 24th January 2024.

An exemption from call in was agreed by the Chair of the Housing Scrutiny Committee to facilitate the notice of rent change being given to tenants in time for the changes to be implemented in April 2024.

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.

REPORT ENDS