Record of a decision taken by the Resources Portfolio Holder

Provision of specialist planning support to the Development Management Team

On 6 June 2016, the Chief Executive submitted a report asking the Resources Portfolio Holder

(i) to retrospectively approve the engagement of Urban Vision to assist in the consideration and processing of planning applications, as the Council’s preferred consultants, and
(ii) to approve the continued engagement of Urban Vision to assist in the preparation of the Wyre Local Plan providing strategic planning support.

Decision taken

The Resources Portfolio Holder agreed that retrospective approval be given for the engagement of Urban Vision under the exemption to Contract Procedures contained within the Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules on the grounds that exceptions may apply where “goods, works or services are of a specialised nature carried out by only one or a limited number of firms with no reasonably satisfactory alternatives available”.

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What were the reasons for the recommendations and what other options were considered and rejected?
Full details of the reasons for the recommendation and any alternative options that were considered and rejected are included in the original report.

When will this decision be implemented?
All decisions will be put into effect five working days from the date of publication, unless a decision is “called-in” by any four members of Wyre Council within that period. The “call-in” procedure is set out in Part 4 of the Council’s Constitution (Paragraph 17 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules).

If a decision is “called-in”, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may decide that the original decision should be upheld or ask the Portfolio Holder to reconsider the decision.

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