

Corporate and Scrutiny Management Committee (Calling – In)

19 November 2012

Report of the Assistant Director, Governance and ICT

Called-in Item: Future Credit Union Arrangements in York – Supporting the North Yorkshire and York Credit Union

Summary

This report sets out the reasons for the call-in of the decisions made at Cabinet on 6 November 2012 in relation to the future of a Credit Union in York. The report to the meeting informed Cabinet of the work undertaken to establish a level of support from the City of York Council to secure an on-going Credit Union presence in York and North Yorkshire. This cover report sets out the powers and role of the Corporate and Scrutiny Management Committee in relation to dealing with the call-in.

Background

- 2. The Decision Sheet issued after the Cabinet meeting is attached as Annex A to this report. This sets out the decisions taken by Cabinet on the called-in item. The original report to Cabinet on the called-in item is attached as Annex B to this report.
- 3. The Cabinet's decision has been called in by Cllrs Barton, Doughty and Healey for review by the Corporate and Scrutiny Management Committee (CSMC) (Calling-In), in accordance with the constitutional requirements for call-in. The reasons given for the call-in are on the following grounds:
 - (1) No indication has been given of what measures are in place to ensure Credit Union applicants in York benefit from the Councils new grant of £50k, bearing in mind the loss of previous loan contributions to the former York Credit Union (YCU);
 - (2) No information has been given on what monitoring arrangements the Council had in place since granting the loan to YCU in 2008, nor

has it been clarified what monitoring arrangements will be implemented now in relation to the grant allocated to developing a South Yorkshire Credit Union;

Consultation

4. In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, the calling-in Members have been invited to attend and/or speak at the Call-In meeting, as appropriate.

Options

- 5. The following options are available to CSMC (Calling-In) Members in relation to dealing with this call-in, in accordance with the constitutional and legal requirements under the Local Government Act 2000:
 - a. To decide that there are no grounds to make specific recommendations to the Cabinet in respect of the report. If this option is chosen, the original decisions taken on the item by Cabinet on 6 November 2012 will be confirmed and will take effect from the date of the CSMC (Calling-In) meeting; or
 - b. To make specific recommendations to the Cabinet on the report, in light of the reasons given for the call-in. If this option is chosen, the matter will be reconsidered by the Cabinet at a meeting of Cabinet (Calling-In) to be held on 20 November 2012.

Analysis

6. Members need to consider the reasons for call-in and the report to Cabinet and form a view on whether there is a basis to make specific recommendations to Cabinet in respect of the report.

Council Plan

7. There are no direct implications for this call-in in relation to the delivery of the Council Plan and its priorities for 2011-15.

Implications

8. There are no known Financial, HR, Legal, Property, Equalities, or Crime and Disorder implications in relation to the following in terms

of dealing with the specific matter before Members; namely, to determine and handle the call-in.

Risk Management

9. There are no risk management implications associated with the call in of this matter.

Recommendations:

10. Members are asked to consider the call-in and reasons for it and decide whether they wish to confirm the decisions made by the Cabinet or refer the matter back for reconsideration and make specific recommendations on the report to Cabinet.

Reason: To enable the called-in matter to be dealt with efficiently and in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None				
Wards Affected:			All	$\sqrt{}$

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Annexes

Annex A – Extract from the Decision Sheet from the Cabinet meeting on the called-item.

Annex B – Report to the Cabinet on 6 November 2012.

Background Papers

None