

**FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:**           **CABINET**

**DATE:**               **16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2015**

**REPORT BY:**       **MEMBER ENGAGEMENT MANAGER**

**SUBJECT:**           **RESPONSE FROM THE ORGANISATIONAL  
CHANGE CALL IN MEETING ON THE MEDIUM TERM  
PLAN FOR LIBRARIES.**

**1.00    PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.01    To formally report to the Cabinet the result of the call in of decision 3173 – Medium Term Plan for Libraries – proposal to develop a new hub library at Deeside Leisure Centre and relocate Hawarden, Mancot and Queensferry Libraries.

**2.00    BACKGROUND**

- 2.01    At its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015, the Cabinet approved the report of the Chief Officer (Organisational Change).

- 2.02    The decision was subsequently called in by Councillors Clive Carver, Alison Halford, Adele Davies-Cooke, Dave Mackie and Glenys Diskin. The reasons given for the call in were as follows:

The Medium Term Plan for libraries does not

- (1) Take into account the impact of the Hawarden and Mancot library closures on the existing and prospective users.
- (2) Show the future plans for the Flintshire Record office which is co-located with Hawarden library.
- (3) Take into account the closeness of the existing Connah's Quay hub with the proposed hub within the Deeside leisure centre.as not been considered on existing town centres.

**3.00    CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.01    The call in was heard by the Organisational Change Overview & Scrutiny Committee at a meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> June.

- 3.02 At the meeting, the initiators of the call in were represented by the signatories. The decision makers were represented by the Leader of the Council, Councillor Aaron Shotton, the Deputy Leader/Cabinet Member for the Environment, Councillor Bernie Attridge, together with both of the Chief Officers (Organisational Change).
- 3.03 Both the call in initiators and the decision makers put their cases to the committee, and responded to Members' questions.
- 3.04 At the end of that process and summing up, the committee was reminded of the four options which are available to it in response to a call in.
- 3.05 The decision which the committee made was option 1, that the Overview & Scrutiny committee is satisfied with the explanation which it has received. The decision makers were therefore informed that the decision may now be implemented.

#### **4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 4.01 That the Cabinet welcomes the decision of the Organisational Change Overview & Scrutiny Committee regarding the Medium Term Plan for Libraries – proposal to develop a new hub library at Deeside Leisure Centre and relocate Hawarden, Mancot and Queensferry Libraries .

#### **5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

#### **6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT**

- 6.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

#### **7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

- 7.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

#### **8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT**

- 8.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

#### **9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

**10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED**

10.01 Not applicable.

**11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN**

11.01 Not applicable.

**12.00 APPENDICES**

12.01 None.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985  
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Agenda for the Organisational Change Overview & Scrutiny  
Committee at its meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

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