

Decision Schedule



Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 17 February 2017. They will become effective at Noon on 27 February 2017 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 24 February 2017.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

Reports relating to staffing issues/Confidential reports are not circulated to all members of the Council as part of the consultation/call-in processes.

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Changes to the Delivery of Wales Strategic Migration Partnership

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Wales Strategic Migration Partnership is funded by the Home Office and acts as a regional strategic lead for the migration, refugee and asylum agenda. Newport City Council was the employing organisation on behalf of Welsh LA and the staff were seconded to the WLGA. This arrangement was in place for a number of years.

Over the last year the agenda changed significantly due to initiatives such as the Syrian Relocation Scheme and Unaccompanied Asylum Seeker Children Scheme. It was now less appropriate for Newport to continue to employ the staff given the broader remit.

A review of the WSMP, commissioned by WLGA, recommends the transfer of the service, from Newport to WLGA. This would embed it within the WLGA and remove the financial risk of employing the staff from Newport. The report detailed this proposal and sought approval to allow the Head of Service to undertake the necessary work to transfer the service and staff to WLGA.

Decision

That the Cabinet Member accepted the recommendations in the report and instructed the Head of Service to undertake the necessary work to transfer the service and staff to WLGA.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer and Head of Finance.

All members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment. Any comments received and response thereafter are set out in the report.

Implemented By: Head of Finance and Head of Law and Regulation
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

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Date: 17 February 2017
