

Notice of Call-In of an Executive Key Decision

In accordance with Rule OS36 if the Council's Constitution, we the undersigned hereby give notice that we wish to call-in the following key decision:

1. D	ecision – Item 8 Voluntary, Community and Faith Sector Grant Aid Funding 2011		
2. M	leeting at which the decision was made – Council Cabinet		
3. D	ate of the meeting 21 st February 2012		
	elieve that the following principles of decision making have been hed by the making of this decision (tick relevant boxes):		
a)	Proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome) X		
b)	Due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers X		
c)	Respect for human rights X		
d)	A presumption in favour of openness		
e)	Clarity of aims and desired outcomes X		
f)	A record of what options were considered and giving the reasons for		
	the decision X		
and/o	r that relevant issues do not appear to have been taken into		
consideration			

We believe these principles have been breached for the following reasons:

	Principle	Reasons why breached
a.	Proportionality	The decision on funding has not been taken on an equitable and fair basis and is disproportionate to the desired outcome.
b.	Due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers	The voluntary sector groups effected by the cuts in funding have expressed inadequate consultation and as a result have lobbied elected members to make representations on their behalf.
C.	Respect for human rights	The cuts to voluntary sector funding will impact on the service delivery of groups who provide services to vulnerable residents. The reduction of this service is a breech of human rights of those residents who have benefited and now stand to lose out, or experience reduced levels of service. The leader of Council also showed disrespect to voluntary sector groups when he said at the Cabinet meeting: "I have to say they are no longer delivering suitable outcomes for the city in return for the amount of investment they receive from the council. DDREC are no longer providing a fit-for-purpose service".
d.	A presumption in favour of openness	
e.	Clarity of aims and desired outcomes	The desired outcome of the Council should be to ensure that voluntary sector groups are in a position to continue to provide essential services to vulnerable Derby residents.
f.	A record of what options were considered and giving the reasons for the decision	The decision is a complete a cut rather than a gradual reduction thus making it extremely difficult for organisations to survive. A phased approach would have ensured that organisations would have had more time to seek alternative funding.
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