Notification of Call-in

Recommissioning of Short Breaks Provision for Children with Disabilities	
(FP/032/02/23)	

Cabinet Member responsible Cllr Beverley Egan	Date decision published 21 March 2023
Last day of call-in period	Last day of 10 working day period to resolve the call-in
24 March 2023	11 April 2023

Reasons for Making the Call in

The Lavender House facility provides excellent care for these vulnerable children which meets their requirements, in some cases one to one supervision, and is not provided in the same secure and safe way by other private providers. For the children affected to have to travel from one side of the county to the other in Harlow is unacceptable given their particular health needs. For those parents who have to accompany their child and have other children in school, the journey makes this impossible. The particular health needs of these children mean that long journey times, sometimes by taxi, are not possible and would be detrimental to their health. Without these respite breaks parents will find it impossible to look after these children who will then become the full time responsibility of Children's Services. If these children are not helped in their early lives there is a real risk that later in life they will become the full time responsibility of Adult Social Care.

Councillor Mike Mackrory (supported by Councillors Marie Goldman, David King and Stephen Robinson)	Dated: 24 March 2023
Sections below for completion by Democratic Services Team	
Date call in Notice Received 24 March 2023	Date of informal meeting Not held
Does the call in relate to a Schools issue No	If yes, date when Parent Governor Reps and Diocesan Reps invited to the meeting Not applicable
Date of appropriate Scrutiny Committee Meeting (if applicable) 6 April 2023	Date call-in withdrawn / resolved