Record of Decisions

Notice of Motion - Fire Safety

Decision Taker

Mayor on 15 May 2013

Decision

That the motion be supported, subject to the word 'mandate' being replaced with 'strongly advises'.

Reason for the Decision

To respond to the motion.

Implementation

This decision will come into force and may be implemented on Wednesday, 29 May 2013 unless the call-in procedure is triggered (as set out in the Standing Orders in relation to Overview and Scrutiny).

Information

At the Adjourned Annual Council meeting held on 15 May 2013, members received a motion, as set out below, notice of which had been given in accordance with Standing Order A14 by Councillors Cowell and Stockman:

Torbay Council has major concerns about fire safety in Torbay if the Draft Plan presented by the Devon Fire Rescue and Service is accepted.

Therefore this Council, in opposing Proposal 10 of the draft plan which reduces full time fire cover at Torquay, mandates our representatives to oppose this option and calls upon the Fire Authority to look at alternative ways of finding the £5.5m cuts required by government.

Council further raises its' concerns that the lack of detailed engagement with its' staff has led to a flawed set of options and the Authority should instruct officers to fully engage with its' staff and produce a new set of proposals.

It was considered that it was not possible to 'mandate' the Council's representatives to oppose the option and this was accepted by Councillor Cowell and the Mayor amended the wording accordingly.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

None

Is this a Key Decision?

No

Does the call-in procedure apply?	
Yes	
Declarations of interest (including details of a Standards Committee)	any relevant dispensations issued by the
None	
Published	
20 May 2013	
Signed:	Date: 20 May 2013
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