

Supplement to the agenda for

General scrutiny committee

Friday 1 December 2017

10.30 am

**Council Chamber, The Shire Hall, St Peter's Square, Hereford,
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**DETERMINATION OF VALIDITY OF CALL-IN FOR
SUBMISSION TO THE MONITORING OFFICER**

Type of decision	Cabinet member (contracts and assets)	
Date of decision	13/11/17	
Call in date,	17/11/17	
Time	1.30	
Members	Marsh, Bartlett, Powers, Andrews, Crockett, Norman, Chappell	
ITEM	Charity shop waste disposal	
Grounds for call in		
Ground	Evidence	
(a) that there was inadequate evidence on which to base a decision and that not all relevant matters were fully taken into account;	<p>Looking in the round this decision is not fully informed. Focussing on the most obvious impact of the decision, the projected cap on tipping would cost the Hospice in the region of £20K a year when fully implemented.</p> <p>St Michaels are valued partners who help us perform well both in diverting substantial tonnages from landfill and by providing valuable social care. The current decision does not take these factors into account. See below for more detail.</p>	
(d) that the decision is disproportionate to the desired outcome;	<p>Apparent short term operation savings made will be offset by:-</p> <p>Reputational damage – St Michael’s hospice is one of the most well known and well loved charities in the county. It has recently delivered an award winning state of the art building costing £11.5 million without requiring any funding at all from Herefordshire Council. The building team actively used local architects, contractors and suppliers wherever practical.</p> <p>We have bent over backwards to encourage the University: surely we should also be supporting this highly effective organisation that is helping us on so many fronts.</p> <p>Practical damage to our recycling and reuse rates, which are overall greatly boosted by the 440 volunteers who provide an extraordinary 59 FTE effort working on reuse and recycling at the 14 St Michael’s shops and warehouses in the county. This dwarfs our own in-house Waste team capacity and is a huge asset in meeting our waste targets and reducing landfill costs.</p> <p>Many of these volunteers are socially isolated and this work contributes greatly to their wellbeing. Many also receive training and move onto paid work.</p>	

	<p>The income from the reuse and recycling not only supports one in four of the hospice patients but also provides a social care service that directly improves our hospital discharge rates and supports people who would otherwise call more heavily on our overstretched social care budget.</p> <p>Further figures are given in the letter submitted to the council as part of the consultation. This is available as part of the decision evidence.</p>
Frivolous, vexatious or otherwise inappropriate	NO
Application valid?	YES Claire Ward 20/11/17
POST CALL IN	
Advise original decision maker and report author	
Call GOSC meeting within 10 days of 20/11	
Post scrutiny meeting	