

## EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

### Notification Of Call – In Of Cabinet Or Portfolio Holder Decision Under Rule 20 (8) (Page J13 of the Constitution) Of The Overview And Scrutiny Rules

*This form must be signed and completed and the original returned to the proper officer in person no later than 10.00 a.m. on the 5<sup>th</sup> working day following publication of the decision*

<b>Decision to be called-in:</b> Town Centres Officer Post and the Future Management of TO's.
<b>Decision reference:</b> 12
<b>Portfolio:</b> Finance and Economic Development
<b>Description of Decision:</b>  (1) That the Town Centre Officer (TCO) post not be continued for a further temporary period until April 2012;  (2) That an existing District Development Fund underspend within the Planning & Economic Development Directorate in the sum of £25,410 be offered as a revenue saving in 2011/12; and  (3) That the option of creating a Social Enterprise for the future operation of the six Town Centres within the District be investigated as part of a review of Town Centre Management.
<b>Reason for Call – in</b>  The decision is contrary to the Council's stated policy to support local businesses and the regeneration of our high streets.  There is no indication of who is going to carry out an investigation into Town centre management (it is unlikely any officers have the necessary skill) or who is going to create and support social enterprises in each of our towns. Those skills do not currently exist within Town Centre Partnerships, they will need continued support for the medium term if this initiative is to succeed

### Members requesting call – in (3 members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or 5 other members)

Members Name:	Signed:
<b>Lead member:</b> Jennie Hart	
Rose Brookes	
Ken Angold-Stephens	
Stephen Murray	
Lance Leonard	
Office Use Only: Date Received: 11 February 2011	