REPORT FROM THE ECONOMY AND TOURISM SELECT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN TO THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2016

Our last Emergency Economy and Tourism Select Committee examined Devolution as the only agenda item.

We received a presentation from the Chief Executive; there were no executive members attending to take questions.

The committee members asked detailed questions of the Chief Executive and debated the content in the devolution papers.

After much debate and deliberation the members were minded to come up with recommendations to the 19 October Full Council meeting.

The Committee unanimously agreed that there was not enough information available for members to make any decisions on Devolution and questioned how IWC could consult the public with the sparse detail currently available.

The committee recommended that no decisions should be made on Devolution until further information and finer detail was available to consider the pros and cons to signing up to the deal.

We need much more information on future responsibilities and costs that come with the deal.

Councillor Wayne Whittle Chairman of Economy and Tourism Select Committee