

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL

CALL-IN REQUEST NOTICE FORM (SCRUTINY)

[Part 3 of the Constitution Section 9 'Scrutiny and the Call-in Procedure']

[PART 3 - Scrutiny and the Call-In Procedure.pdf \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)

This form may be used to request a call-in of an executive decision which may be called in under the terms of the above procedure.

Call-in is requested of the decision set out below.

Decision Details

Decision: That the award of a 5-year lease for Brown's Golf, putting and clubhouse, including a mutual six-month break clause allowing for its early termination if required, be agreed.

Date of decision: 1 September 2023

Decision maker: Cllr Julie Jones-Evans, Cabinet Member for Economy, Regeneration, Culture and Leisure.

[Decision - Lease of Browns Golf Course - Isle of Wight Council \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)

Those councillors requesting the call-in

Cllr Joe Robertson, Chairman of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee (the lead member for this call-in)

Cllr Chris Quirk, Member of Corporate Scrutiny Committee

Cllr Warren Drew, Member of Corporate Scrutiny Committee

Cllr Richard Quigley, Former Chair of Corporate Scrutiny

Cllr Michael Beston, Bay Councillor

Cllr Paul Brading, Bay Councillor

Cllr Tig Outlaw, Bay Councillor

Cllr Ian Ward, Bay Councillor

[NB. A scrutiny member may not sign a call-in request if the matter is only of specific reference to their own electoral division (i.e. their ward)].

Reason(s) for the call-in:

The three Bay Town and Parish Councils contributed significantly towards the creation of a Bay Regeneration Plan, which is scheduled to be published in draft form within the next couple of months. The full site at Yaverland is Council owned and Browns is only part of that whole site, but a part that seriously compromises access to the remainder. The whole of the Yaverland site was seen by those who

worked on the Bay Regeneration Plan to be a pivotal site that was central to regeneration of the whole Bay Area.

Blocking redevelopment of the site for five years is contrary to the interests of the Bay and is not supported by most local Town and Parish Councillors, and flies against the principles of localism and public consultation. The very limited consultation carried out was almost entirely with individuals with a pecuniary interest in maintaining the status quo.

Taking the decision prior to completion of the Bay Regeneration Plan and committing the Council to investing significant capital funding on the site in a way that may not or may not be compatible with the Bay Regeneration Plan is perverse. The suggestion that there is a break clause in the contract is misleading as both parties have to agree to any early termination of the lease.

Desired outcomes from the call-in:

Defer decision on the granting of a lease until the Bay Regeneration Plan is completed and approved.

Grant a Licence to Occupy for one year initially to the business hoping to benefit from the lease.

Make a decision on the future of the whole Yaverland site based on the Bay Regeneration Plan in consultation with Sandown Town Council, Lake Parish Council and Shanklin Town Council once the Bay Regeneration Plan is approved

Date of Call-in Request: 07/09/2023

Signatures (wet or electronic):

1. Cllr Joe Robertson, Chairman of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee
2. Cllr Chris Quirk, Member of Corporate Scrutiny Committee
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