

**CONSTITUTION – RULE 46 OF THE OVERVIEW AND
SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES (CALL-IN AND URGENCY)**

This memorandum is to confirm that I have been consulted by the Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor Fairclough) and that I have given my consent under Rule 46 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in the Constitution to the following issue not being subject to call-in:

Approval for the termination of the current CCS Gas framework and subsequent appointment to the NEPO Gas Framework for a two year interim contract, in order to secure early financial savings.

on the basis that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred because the contract must be terminated before 17th September 2019 under our current contract rules. Subsequent prices will also be subject to market forces and we wish to secure prices early to achieve a financial saving for the council, schools and partners on our energy portfolio.

Options for remaining within the CCS framework were withdrawn on 2 September 2019, which necessitated this action, to secure current prices.

Comments (If appropriate):-

I understand that a report on the circumstances of the use of Rule 46 will be submitted to the Council in due course.

S E Bradshaw

Signed
Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Councillor
Bradshaw)

Date 4th September 2019
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NB: In the absence of the Chair of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the agreement of the Vice Chair or the Mayor will be obtained.