

Proforma for a Councillor Call for Action

Name of the Ward Councillor raising the Call for Action:	Cllr John Leech
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Description of the local issue:	<p>A decision has been made by the Council to spend thousands of pounds on demolishing a portacabin in Brookdale Park. This comes after local councillors opposed an application for an asset transfer of the portacabin, which would have resulted in lottery money being spent on the building being refurbished, and no cost to the Council.</p> <p>I am not challenging the decision not to allow the asset transfer, but I have raised questions about the justification for spending money on demolishing the building, when there was an option for refurbishment, paid for by the national lottery.</p>
Why is this issue best addressed through a CCfA?	I believe that it is appropriate for scrutiny to look at the decision to demolish the building, and whether this is best value of limited resources.
How do you feel the CCfA process can help to address this issue?	The decision has been made by officers, but there has been no public scrutiny. The Scrutiny committee are in the best position to question whether this is a good use of resources,
What action has already been taken to address the issue?	I have questioned the decision of officers, and the only response was to be told that it was judged to be best value.
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