

Cabinet Meeting: Monday, 07 October 2024

Question from: Cllr M Hey

Question to: Cllr Durrans

At Council on 24/07/24 during the debate on the proposed incinerator in the Ryburn Valley, Councillor Patient explained that a Key Decision is a technical term in the council constitution.

Looking at the Constitution, Section 13.3 (b) (i) says “Key decisions, which means any executive decision ... which is likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.”

In the debate, Councillors Ashton (Sowerby Bridge), Councillor Webster (Ryburn) and Councillor Bellenger (Greetland and Stainland) all confirmed that their residents would be affected by the proposal.

As such, can I ask that the cabinet confirm this to be a key decision to be made by themselves?

Response

The key decision requirement applies to a decision to be taken by Cabinet, the executive.

As this decision is to be taken under delegated authority by the relevant chief officer then the provisions dealing with a key decision do not apply.