Scrutiny Committee 14 February 2024

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3. Public Question Time

3.1 Question from Anne Landamore

What is the criteria the Cabinet is using for there to be sufficient impact on people who have disabilities so that it would not consider going ahead with the cuts to the Minimum Income Guarantee (MIG)? If there isn't any criteria the consultation is pointless.

3.2 Response from the Cabinet Member for Finance:

The principles of consultation are not based around a fixed criteria to inform decisions, unlike for example a more rigid decision making process for such as a procurement exercise. The purpose of the consultation is to better understand the issue and to seek a broad range of views and impacts – including from people with lived experience. In reaching a decision, Cabinet will need to consider what people have said about the impact of any changes, and any mitigation for the impact. Alongside this, Cabinet will take into account other factors including the local and national context for both Adult Social Services and the council as whole.