

DECISION-MAKER:	STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
SUBJECT:	CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION
DATE OF DECISION:	16 APRIL 2012
REPORT OF:	HEAD OF LEGAL, HR AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES
STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY	
None	

BRIEF SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to enable Standards and Governance Committee to comment upon the content of the draft report to be presented the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2012 on changes to the Constitution.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (i) That Standards and Governance Committee advises of any comments or views it has upon the content of the draft report setting out the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services recommended changes to the Constitution of the Council.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. On an annual basis, the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services conducts a review of the Council's Constitutional arrangements. This is considered by Standards and Governance Committee, in its governance role, prior to formal submission to the Annual Meeting of the Council, which this year takes place on 16 May 2012.
2. The report is supplied to Standards and Governance Committee in draft form to enable Standards and Governance Committee to consider the issues, in its governance role, and advise of any additional issues they would like to see considered and/or any other points of issue they would like referred to the Annual Meeting.
3. Certain elements of the report are "work in progress" at the current time.
4. Before any report is finalised, precise wording in terms of changes to the Constitution will be worked up and also presented to Members of Full Council at the Annual Meeting.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

5. None

Property/Other

6. None.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

7. As set out in the report to Full Council.

Other Legal Implications:

8. None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

9. None.

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KEY DECISION? No **WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:** None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Non-confidential appendices are in the Members' Rooms and can be accessed on-line

Appendices

1.	Draft Council Report
2.	Draft Council Report Appendix 1
3.	Draft Council Report Appendix 2
4.	Draft Council Report Appendix 3

Documents In Members' Rooms

1.	None
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Integrated Impact Assessment

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) to be carried out.	No
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Other Background Documents

Integrated Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
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2.	None	
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