

DECISION-MAKER:	GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
SUBJECT:	CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION
DATE OF DECISION:	30 APRIL 2013
REPORT OF:	HEAD OF LEGAL, HR AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES
STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY	
None	

BRIEF SUMMARY

This is the annual report considered by Governance Committee prior to the Annual Meeting agreeing any changes to the Constitution.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (i) to consider and recommend the changes to the Constitution as set out in the attached draft report to Council.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is appropriate for the Council to keep its Constitution under regular review and to amend it, both to reflect experience and changing law, best practice and other circumstances.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. The Council resolved in May 2002 to review its Constitution on an annual basis. Therefore, it is appropriate that this report is considered by Members. There are a range of recommendations set out within the attached report. Members have a range of options about various changes recommended to them, not least of which is to reject some or all of them.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. Full details are contained in the attached draft report

Background Information

4. None other than that contained in the attached report

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

5. None

Property/Other

6. None.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

7. The Executive Arrangements and Constitution are required under the Local Government Act 2000 (as amended). Other matters referred to in the report are addressed in the Local Government Act 1972 as well as the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and Localism Act 2011.

Other Legal Implications:

8. None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

9. None.

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KEY DECISION? Yes/No n/a

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

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

Appendices

1.	Draft report to Council (and appendices)
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Documents In Members' Rooms

Appendix 4 of Full Council report – Revised Officer Scheme of Delegation

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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1.	None.	
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