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<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>COUNCIL</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM: 11</b>
<b>DATE OF MEETING:</b>	<b>22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016</b>	<b>CATEGORY: DELEGATED</b>
<b>REPORT FROM:</b>	<b>MONITORING OFFICER</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
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<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>COUNCIL SUMMONS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015</b>	<b>REF:</b>
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	<b>ALL</b>	

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### **1.0 Recommendations**

- 1.1 That Council approve the amendments to the Constitution to meet the requirements of the Local Government (Electronic Communications) (England) Order 2015.
- 1.2 That Members give consent to receive Council summonses electronically.

### **2.0 Purpose of Report**

- 2.1 To consider an amendment to the Council's Constitution.
- 2.2 To advise of the requirement, and request consent to receive summonses by way of electronic communication.

### **3.0 Detail**

- 3.1 Members will be aware all agendas are distributed via electronic means aside from Council summonses.
- 3.2 The Local Government (Electronic Communications) (England) Order 2015 enables the use of electronic communications to send summonses to Elected Members. This confirms that electronic communications have the same legal status in terms of giving notice of a meeting as hard copy summonses. The Order modifies provisions in Schedule 12 to the Local Government Act 1972.
- 3.3 The Order gives Members flexibility as to how they receive summonses. Members will only receive summonses electronically where they consent to it being transmitted by this method and may withdraw their individual consent at any time, at which point the traditional methods of notification will once again apply to that/those Member(s).

### **4.0 Financial Implications**

- 4.1 All meeting agendas/summonses will be sent to Members electronically.

### **5.0 Corporate Implications**

5.1 None directly arising from this report.

## **6.0 Community Implications**

6.1 None arising directly from this report.

## **7.0 Background Papers**

The Local Government (Electronic Communications) (England) Order 2015