
REPORT TO:	ANNUAL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM:
DATE OF MEETING:	16 MAY 2024	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	MONITORING OFFICER	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	CONSTITUTION UPDATES	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That, the following amended Articles of the Constitution are approved to form Part 2 of the Council's Constitution.

- Article 3 – Citizens and the Council (Appendix 1)
- Article 4 – Full Council (Appendix 2)
- Article 8A – The Standards Sub-Committee (Appendix 3)
- Article 10 – Joint Arrangements (Appendix 4)
- Article 11 – Officers (Appendix 5)
- Article 13 – Finance, Contracts and Legal Matters (Appendix 6)
- Article 15 – Suspension, Interpretation and Publication of the Constitution (Appendix 7)

1.2 That the updated Council Procedure Rules are approved and adopted into Part 4 of the Council's Constitution (Appendix 8)

1.2 That, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 1.1 (f) of the Council's Constitution Council approve the amended Scheme of Delegation, to form Part 3 of the Council's Constitution (Appendix 9).

1.3 That the updated Contract Procedure Rules, are approved and adopted into Part 4 of the Council's Constitution (Appendix 10).

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To consider the amended documents to the Council's Constitution.

3.0 Detail

3.1 The Constitution of the Council sets out how the Council operates, how decisions are made and the procedures which are followed to ensure that these are efficient, transparent and accountable to local people. Some of these processes are required by the law, while others are a matter for the Council to choose.

3.2 The Constitution is divided into 15 Articles which set out the basic rules governing the Council's business. It also includes more detailed procedures and codes of practice which are provided in separate rules and protocols in Parts 4 and 5 of the Constitution.

- 3.2 The documents for approval have been updated to include updated working practices as well as amendments to service responsibility, job roles and/or titles following the Chief Executive's recent restructure.
- 3.3 The Contract Procedure Rules have been updated to incorporate amended procurement thresholds.
- 3.4 Other changes to the scheme relate to updates in service provision and/or legislative requirements/amendments.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None directly arising from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 The revised Scheme of Delegation will provide a clear and effective resource within the Council's Constitution, to identify those powers delegated to officers, and to provide clear guidance on how the exercise of those powers is to be limited or qualified to ensure Members are appropriately involved in the Council's decision-making processes.

6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 None arising directly from this report.

7.0 Background Papers

- 7.1 None.