

AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

Report of the Head of Legal Services

a) Cabinet Responsibilities.

Under the Council's executive arrangements it is the responsibility of the Leader of the Council to allocate the executive functions of the Council. The Leader has appointed the members of the Cabinet and their portfolios; these are set out in Section 4.4 of the Constitution, reproduced at Annex A . The Constitution is therefore amended accordingly and these amendments are reported to the Committee for information only.

b) Changes to the Constitution made by the Monitoring Officer under delegated powers.

The amendments set out in Annex B include those which are consequential upon the transfer of the role of the monitoring officer from the Director of Law & Administration to the Director of Strategy & Challenge and have been made by the Monitoring Officer under delegated powers. They are brought to the Committee for approval and recommendation to full council for ratification. The post of Director of Law & Administration has been changed to that of Head of Legal Services following the transfer of responsibility for the Democratic Services Unit to the Monitoring Officer.

RECOMMENDED THAT:

- a) The changes to the Constitution set out in Section 4.4 (Annex A) are noted by the Committee; and
- b) The amendments to the Constitution set out in Annex B are approved by the Committee and are now recommended to full Council for ratification.

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