

COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No. 11
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CONSTITUTION CHANGES

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM : <i>Solicitor to the Council</i>	
<p>1. That Council authorises the Solicitor to the Council to make changes to the Constitution to reflect changes in the Senior Management Structure confirmed following Employment Committee on 18 September 2008.</p>	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 The report is submitted to Council as part of the Monitoring Officer's responsibility under Article 14 of the Constitution to monitor and review the Constitution.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 The Chief Executive has made changes to the Senior Management structure, including changes to the job titles of all Directors posts, and movement of some services to other Directorates. As a result of these changes it is necessary to amend the Constitution. The changes are of a procedural and administrative nature and are therefore not set out in detail in this report.

3. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

3.1 Implementation of the recommendations in this report will ensure that the Council's governance arrangements remain robust and ensure that the Constitution is up to date.

4. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

These are to keep the Constitution up to date following changes to Council structures.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

The alternative to making the changes is to continue with an out of date Constitution which is inaccurate and is likely to lead to confusion and inability of the Directorates to fulfil their delegations.

6. IMPLICATIONS

Legal: the proposals in this report comply with all legal requirements. There are no financial implications.

7. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Report to Employment Committee dated 18 September 2008.

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