

COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No. 9(c)
12 OCTOBER 2022	PUBLIC REPORT

EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

CONSTITUTION UPDATES

The Constitution and Ethics Committee, at its meeting on 6 October 2022, received a report in relation to a range of constitution updates.

The Committee considered a number of recommendations in relation to the agenda structure for Full Council, process for Questions on Notice, process for Motions with Significant Implications, naming conventions within the Constitution and the Officer Employment Rules in relation to Deputy Chief Officers and Cabinet Member objection period.

Following debate, the Committee determined to make the below recommendations to Full Council.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council agree to update the Constitution as follows:

Constitution Naming Conventions

1. That Members have discretion as to how they wish to be addressed, including allowing the Mayor the discretion over whether they are addressed as “Mr Mayor”, “Madam Mayor”, or in the same format as Councillors, for example, “Mayor” and then their surname.

Officer Employment Rules

2. That the reference to two clear days for objections to be registered to the Leader be amended, as at Appendix 2 to the report, it allow the Leader to confirm once the appointment has been made that no objections had been received.

The original report and relevant updated appendix are attached.

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