

21 June 2021

Agenda Item: 7

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR CUSTOMERS GOVERNANCE AND EMPLOYEES AND MONITORING OFFICER

CONSTITUTION REVIEW WORKING GROUP

Purpose of the Report

1. To establish a working group of the Committee to carry out a review of the Council's Constitution.

Information

2. The Full Council, at its meeting on 27 May 2021, tasked the Governance and Ethics Committee to carry out a review of the Constitution to ensure it remains fit for purpose.
3. The Constitution Review Working Group will agree a scope for the review, carry out the review and report back to Governance and Ethics Committee, with agreed proposals being presented to Full Council for approval.
4. The membership of the working group is proposed to be the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Governance and Ethics Committee, the Business Manager or their nominee from each political Group of the Council and one non-aligned member.

Other Options Considered

5. None

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To ensure the Constitution remains fit for purpose.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) To approve the establishment of a Constitution Review Working Group with the membership as set out in paragraph 4.
- 2) To receive a report from the working group on its proposed changes to the Constitution to be made by Full Council once the review is complete.

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Constitutional Comments (HD 28/05/2021)

8. The proposals within the report fall within the remit of Governance and Ethics Committee subject to the final approval of the Full Council in respect of any changes to the Constitution.

Financial Comments (RWK 02/06/2021)

9. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Revised Committee System to Full Council – 27 May 2021 (published)

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All