ITEM NO

Constitutional Updates and Council Delegations

REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

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PURPOSE

- 1. To inform Members of the minor amendments to Part 5.2 of the constitution made by the Monitoring Officer, relating to the Code of Conduct for Employees which includes the Whistleblowing Policy.
- 2. To inform Members of the changes made to Part 3 of the constitution by the Leader, relating to the Scheme of Delegation, for various Officers.

RECOMMENDATION

- That the minor amendments to Part 5.2 of the constitution made by the Monitoring Officer relating to the Code of Conduct for Employees which includes the Whistleblowing Policy, be noted
 - 4. That the changes made to Part 3 of the constitution by the Leader as follows, be noted;
 (a) Head of Governance, Law, Property and Regulation relating to businesses (Appendix 1);
 (b) Head of Regeneration and Planning Policy relating to Neighbourhood Area applications (Appendix 2);and
 (c) Chief Operating Officer relating to acceptance of bids (Appendix 3).

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

5. To ensure that the requirements of the constitution are upheld, and that maximum transparency is maintained.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

6. Minor Amendments to Part 5.2 of the Constitution (Code of Conduct for Employees) by the Monitoring Officer

Various delegated amendments to personnel policies, regarding the Social Media Policy and the Whistleblowing Policy, were made on 1st March 2017 by the Chief Executive which affected Part 5.2 of the constitution - Code of Conduct for Employees.

As these amendments were minor in nature, the Monitoring Officer has consequently exercised his delegation to make minor amendments to the constitution.

7. Changes to Part 3 of the Constitution by the Leader

Head of Governance, Law, Property and Regulation.

On 20th February 2016 the Leader added a delegation for the Head of Governance, Law, Property and Regulation regarding actions that can be taken regarding a company in which the Council has interests (Appendix 1).

Head of Regeneration and Planning Policy

On 16th March 2017 the Leader added a delegation for the Head of Regeneration and Planning Policy to determine neighbourhood area applications where public consultation is not required or where no objections have been received from a public consultation (Appendix 3).

Chief Operating Officer

On 20th March 2017 the Leader confirmed changes to the delegations for the Chief Operating Officer relating to the submission and acceptance of bids (Appendix 3)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION

8. None.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

9. None.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

10. Member Structures Officer & Working Group.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

11. None.

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