

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills Monitoring Officer

Report to:	County Council
Date:	19 February 2016
Subject:	Amendment to Article 9 Officers and Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) of the Constitution

Summary:

To extend the Chief Executive's functions and responsibilities under Article 9 (Officers) of the Constitution and his specific powers under Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) to encompass all of the activities carried out by the Chief Information and Commissioning Officer to ensure comprehensive coverage of the Council's functions.

Recommendation(s):

That the Council approves the amendments to Article 9 (Officers) and Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) of the Council's Constitution set out at Appendix A.

1. Background

The Council created the post of Chief Information and Commissioning Officer a member of the Corporate Management Board in April 2014. At the same time the Chief Executive's functions, responsibilities and powers were extended to include activities carried out by the Chief Information and Commissioning Officer.

The Chief Information and Commissioning Officer operates under the authority of the Chief Executive and more robust arrangements would be achieved by taking the opportunity to further extend the Chief Executive's functions, responsibilities and powers set out in the Constitution to ensure comprehensive coverage of the areas of responsibility of the Chief Information and Commissioning Officer.

The existing relevant extracts with the amendments shown as tracked changes are attached as Appendix A.

The recommendations require changes to the Council's Constitution and therefore require approval by full Council.

2. Conclusion

The recommendation is to carry out minor amendments to Article 9 (Officers) and Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) of the Constitution to ensure full coverage of the Council's functions.

Having effective delegations in place promotes good governance.

3. Legal Comments:

The function of agreeing and/or amending the Constitution is reserved to the full Council.

The decision is therefore within the remit of the full Council.

4. Resource Comments:

There are no financial implications arising from acceptance of the recommendation in this report.

5. Consultation

a) Has Local Member Been Consulted?

n/a

b) Has Executive Councillor Been Consulted?

n/a

c) Scrutiny Comments

n/a

d) Policy Proofing Actions Required

N/A

6. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Proposed Amended Functions and Powers of the Chief Executive

7. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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