

## AGENDA ITEM 9 – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL’S CONSTITUTION

### UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWING THE MEETING OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE ON 15 MAY 2015

Following the meeting of Corporate Governance and Audit Committee on 15 May 2015, the recommendation in respect of the above Item is now as follows (the additions to the original recommendation are highlighted in red);

#### (9A) Proposed changes to Overview and Scrutiny

- 1) That the refocused approach to Overview and Scrutiny be endorsed, and that the structural arrangements set out in Option 3, as detailed in Paragraph 2.7 of the report, be approved.
- 2) That the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee be constituted for the 2015/16 municipal year on a 1:1:1:1 ratio.
- 3) That, pursuant to (1) above, the proposed revisions to Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, and Article 6 of the Overview and Scrutiny function in the Council’s Constitution, be approved.
- 4) That authority be delegated to the Assistant Director (Legal, Governance and Monitoring) to make the agreed amendments to the Constitution, and any further consequential amendments as required.
- 5) That a Scrutiny Protocol be developed to clarify arrangements for Call in and to include a requirement that the Chair of any Call-in Scrutiny Hearing shall not belong to the same political group as the Executive or the Group that submitted the request for the Call-In.

#### (9B) Proposed changes to the Council’s Constitution – Report 2

- 1) That the proposed changes to the Constitution, as set out in paragraphs 2.2 – 2.4 and Appendices 1 and 3 of the considered report be approved **subject to the additions to the Policy Framework described at (6) below.**
- 2) That authority be delegated to the Assistant Director (Legal, Governance and Monitoring) to make the agreed amendments to the Constitution, and any further consequential amendments as required.
- 3) That a report be submitted to a future meeting of Corporate Governance and Audit Committee regarding the establishment of Corporate Parenting Panel.
- 4) That authority be delegated to the Assistant Director (Legal, Governance and Monitoring) to make drafting amendments to the Constitution, as described in paragraph 2.5 of the report.
- 5) That the establishment of Policy Sub Committees be considered further at the next meeting of Corporate Governance and Audit Committee, and that a report setting out the detail of such a proposal be submitted to the meeting prior consideration at a future Council meeting.
- 6) That (i) Climate Change and Fuel Poverty Policy and (ii) Housing Policy (to include wider matters than the commissioning of housing) be included within the Council’s Policy Framework.

7) That further discussion regarding the development of a Leisure provision policy to cover leisure, library, parks and open spaces and similar to form part of the Council's Policy Framework be scheduled for consideration at Policy Committee.