

Meeting of the City Council

19 May 2021

Report title	Changes to the Constitution	
Referring body	Governance Committee – 23 April 2021	
Councillor to present report	Councillor Paula Brookfield	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Cabinet Member with lead responsibility	Councillor Paula Brookfield, Governance	
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Report has been considered by	Governance Committee	23 April 2021

Recommendations for decision:

The Council is recommended to:

1. Approve the amendments to the Constitution as detailed in Appendix 1 to this report.
2. Authorise the Monitoring Officer to implement the changes.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 This report outlines the changes made to the constitution for approval by the Council. It is recommended that the Council agrees to the amendments to the Council's Constitution to ensure continuing lawfulness and effectiveness.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 On 23 April 2021 Governance Committee considered a report on Changes to the Constitution.
- 2.2 Copies of the report have been supplied to Councillors and can also be accessed online on the Council's website [here](#).
- 2.3 Governance Committee recommended to Council that it:
1. Approves the amendments to the Constitution as detailed in Appendix 1 to this report.
 2. Authorises the Monitoring Officer to implement the changes.

Governance Committee was recommended to:

1. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Governance in consultation with the Director of Governance to make any minor amendments to the proposals to change the constitution ahead of Council.
- 2.4 Only those parts of the constitution detailed in Appendix 1 have been amended, the other parts will remain unchanged.
- 2.5 This is the first of a series of reports, there will be additional reports brought forwards to review the other parts of the constitution such as the Officer Delegations, Financial Procedure Rules, HR Delegations and Employment Procedure Rules.

3.0 Financial implications

- 3.1 The financial implications are detailed in the Governance Committee report of 23 April 2021.

4.0 Legal implications

- 4.1 The legal implications are detailed in the Governance Committee report of 23 April 2021.

5.0 Equalities implications

- 5.1 The equalities implications are detailed in the Governance Committee report of 23 April 2021.

6.0 All other Implications

6.1 All other implications are detailed in the Governance Committee report of 23 April 2021.

7.0 Schedule of background papers

7.1 Governance Committee, Changes to the Constitution, 23 April 2021.

8.0 Appendices

8.1 Appendix 1: Changes to the Constitution