

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT

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Subject Heading:	MONITORING OFFICER NO 23 AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION
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Policy context:	Monitoring Officer Amendments to the Constitution
Financial summary:	These changes are purely procedural and have no specific financial implications

The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Clean, safe and green borough Excellence in education and learning Opportunities for all through economic, social and cultural activity Value and enhance the life of every individual High customer satisfaction and a stable council tax

SUMMARY

Part 2 Article 11.02(c) of the Constitution authorises the Monitoring Officer to amend the Constitution to correct errors or to comply with any legal requirement or to reflect organisational changes to the Council's structure.

The constitution provides that this committee must be notified of any such amendment at the first reasonable opportunity.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That this report be noted.

REPORT DETAIL

The Monitoring Officer has the ability to make limited amendments to the Constitution as set out in the summary above.

As a new Constitution has been adopted with effect from 9th May 2010 the numbering system has commenced again from 01/10.

The meeting of this committee is the first opportunity for the reporting of the most recent amendments made and the committee is requested accordingly to note the amendments made.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

There is a **corporate** requirement to set out the implications and risks of the decision sought, in the following areas

Financial implications and risks:

The introduction of compulsory licensing of scrap metal dealers and collectors imposes additional burdens on the council. The administration cost of determining and issuing licences can be covered by charging fees for licences, which is a matter for the Executive, but the cost of enforcement will have to be covered by existing budgets.

Legal implications and risks:

The Constitution provides for the Monitoring Officer to make certain amendments to the constitution

Human Resources implications and risks: None

Equalities implications and risks: None

BACKGROUND PAPERS