

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Notification No. 26

Date 20th February 2014

Notification of amendments to the constitution

Amendments made by the Monitoring Officer

Part 2, Article 11.02(c) of the constitution provides that the Monitoring Officer has a limited authority to amend the constitution. The Monitoring Officer is authorised 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 Governance Committee must be notified of any such amendment at the first reasonable opportunity.

In accordance with this authority, the Monitoring Officer gives notice of the following amendments to the constitution.

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Part 5	314, 315	Rename: The Adjudication & Review Committee To: Governance Committee	Amendments
Part 5	316, 320, 323, 324	Rename: Adjudication and Review Committee To: Monitoring Officer	Legislation Change
Part 5	324	49. Delete: Which could lead, ultimately, in the most serious cases, and a referral to the Standards for England to the disqualification of a Member.	Legislation Change
Part 5	327	Replace paragraph 4 The Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 provide for public access to meetings and documents of Adjudication and Review committee proceedings. Where a sub-committee of an adjudication and Review committee is considering an allegation against a member or a request to review a decision to take no action, there is no public right of access to the meetings or documents but the sub-committee is required to produce	Legislation Change

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		<p>a written summary of its consideration of those matters, which is available to the public. Otherwise, the proceedings of Adjudication and Review committees and sub-committees of Adjudication and Review committees are to be open to the public in a manner similar to that in which other proceedings of local authorities are made open.</p> <p>With: Where an Adjudication & Review sub-committee of an Adjudication and Review committee is considering an allegation against a member or a request to review a decision to take no action, there is no public right of access to the meetings or documents but the sub-committee is required to produce a written summary of its consideration of those matters, which is available to the public. Otherwise, the proceedings of Adjudication and Review sub-committees are to be open to the public in a manner similar to that in which other proceedings of local authorities are made open.</p>	