



GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 14 OCTOBER 2014

Subject Heading:

MONITORING OFFICER NO 02
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 the Committee NOTE the report.

REPORT DETAIL

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

As a result of the restructure of the Council and the establishment of oneSource, post titles and responsibilities have changed and the Monitoring Officer is now the Director of Legal & Governance. The post of Assistant Chief Executive, Legal & Democratic Services has been deleted.

The changes made to the numerous listed pages are in consequence of the restructure to ensure that the appropriate post title for Legal & Democratic functions is state together with other minor changes which properly reflect the current structure.

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: None

Legal implications and risks:

The Constitution provides for the Monitoring Officer to make certain amendments to the constitution in given situations and these amendments are pursuant to and in accordance with those powers. There are not legal implications arising from this report.

Human Resources implications and risks: None

Equalities implications and risks: None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None