

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
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Subject Heading:

**MONITORING OFFICER
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**

Communities making Havering
Places making Havering
Opportunities making Havering
Connections making Havering

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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

To note the change in the Council Constitution, Part 3.3.9.1(h)

from: Para: 3.9.1 (h) *“To increase the specified sums set out in delegations to staff in accordance with Retail Prices Index (RPI).”*

to: Para: 3.9.1 (h) *“To increase the specified sums set out in delegations to staff in accordance with the Office of National Statistics Indexation.”*

REPORT DETAIL

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

The amendments pick up legislative changes, a change in title following a restructure and typographical errors.

In this instance, an amendment to the Constitution is necessary in order to reflect the fact that the use of RPI is being phased out and replaced by an alternative indexation from April 2019.

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

Equalities and Social Inclusion Implications and Risks

None

Legal, Finance and Environmental 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 no legal implications arising from this report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None