

Article 14 – Review and Revision of the Constitution

14.1 Duty to Monitor and Review the Constitution

14.1.1 The Council will constitute a Committee of the Council (to be known as the Governance and Electoral Arrangements Committee) who will be responsible for monitoring and reviewing the operation of the Constitution and making recommendations to full Council in respect thereof.

14.2 Changes To and Within the Constitution

14.2.1 All amendments to the Constitution shall be approved by full Council following consideration of the report and recommendations of the Governance and Electoral Arrangements Committee in relation thereto, with the exception of the following which may be made by the Monitoring Officer:

- (i) changes to give effect to any decisions of the Council;
- (ii) changes in the law;
- (iii) minor amendments such as to correct errors; and
- (iv) to ensure the Constitution is maintained up to date.

Any such changes shall be communicated to all Councillors.

14.2.2 Amendments to the Codes and Protocols set out in Part 5 of the Constitution will be approved by full Council following consideration of the report and recommendations of the Governance and Electoral Arrangements Committee.

14.2.3 Amendments to the Scheme of Delegations to Officers set out in Part 7 Section B of the Constitution may be made in year by the Council or the Cabinet (as the case may be) but may also be considered by the Governance and Electoral Arrangements Committee who shall make recommendations thereon to the Council or the Cabinet as appropriate.

14.2.4 All other amendments will be approved by full Council following consideration of the recommendations of a Committee of the Council or the report and recommendations of an officer, unless the proposed amendment relates to a Cabinet Function, in which case the Cabinet may approve the amendment of its own motion or following consideration of the report and recommendations of an officer.

14.2.5 Any proposal to change to executive arrangements consisting of an elected mayor and cabinet executive or elected mayor and council executive will be the subject of a referendum that complies with the Local Authorities (Referendum) (Petitions and Directions) (England) Regulations 2000, or such other Regulations as may from time to time amend or replace the same.