

ARTICLE 15 - REVIEW AND REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION

15.1 Duty to monitor and review the Constitution

The Monitoring Officer will monitor and review the operation of the Constitution to ensure that the aims and principles of the Constitution are given full effect.

15.2 Changes to the Constitution

Any councillor, any committee or the Leader/Executive may submit proposals for changes to this Constitution to the Council, through the Monitoring Officer, for consideration.

Apart from the following exceptions, changes to the Constitution will only be approved by the full Council

- (a) the Head of Legal & Democratic Services who is authorised to amend the Constitution, including the Scheme of Delegation of Functions to Officers
 - (i) in respect of the officers designated to exercise delegated authorities, where changes in the management structure and post titles have resulted from organisational restructures
 - (ii) to make changes which result from requirements of new legislation or statutory guidance,
 - (iii) and any corrections due to administrative error or oversight, in line with the most recent decision of the Council.
- (b) the Leader/ Executive in respect of amendments to the Scheme of Delegation of Functions to Officers relating to executive functions

The Council must take reasonable steps to consult local electors and other interested persons in the area, and comply with legislative requirements, when drawing up proposals to change from a leader and cabinet form of Executive to an elected mayor and cabinet, or vice versa, or to the committee system.