

APPOINTMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE		
FULL COUNCIL	CLASSIFICATION:	
MEETING DATE (2021/22)	OPEN	
2 MARCH 2022		
WARD(S) AFFECTED		
N/A		
DIDECTOR		
DIRECTOR		
Dawn Carter-McDonald, Director of Legal and Governance Services and		
Monitoring Officer		

### 1. SUMMARY

1.1 This report requests that Full Council approve appointments for the Constitution Committee.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

2.1 That the appointments for the Constitution Committee, as set out in appendix 1, are approved.

### 3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Full Council established a Constitution Committee at its meeting on 26 January 2022. This Committee is responsible for reviewing areas in the Constitution to ensure that they are fit for purpose. It also receives requests to review certain areas of the Constitution, considers changes proposed by Members, Officers and Committees. It recommends any proposed changes to Council for approval.
- 3.2 The Committee's terms of reference provide for the membership to be as follows:
  - One member of the Executive who will be responsible for reporting the views of Cabinet to the Committee; (appointment to be made by the Mayor)
  - One Member of the Majority Group who is not a member of the Executive who will be responsible for reporting the views of the Majority Group to the Committee;
  - One Member of the Opposition Group(s) who will be responsible for reporting the views of the Opposition Group(s) to the Committee;
  - One member of the Audit Committee; and
  - One member of the Scrutiny Panel

3.3 The Groups and Mayor have now advised of the proposed membership as set out in appendix 1 and Council is asked to approve these appointments.

## 4. COMMENTS OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR, FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES

4.1 The costs associated with administering this Committee are contained within the current approved budgets. There are no special responsibility allowances attached to membership of this Committee therefore no additional costs are incurred in that respect.

## 5. COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE SERVICES

5.1 Article 4.6(iv) of the Constitution specifies that Council is responsible for the appointment of the membership of the Committee, with the exception of the Executive appointment which is made by the Mayor. These appointments will ensure that the Constitution Committee can convene prior to the local election and oversee the commencement of the Constitution refresh.

#### **APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 - Proposed membership of the Constitution Committee

# BACKGROUND PAPERS (as defined by Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

None.

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### **Appendix 1 - Proposed Membership of the Constitution Committee**

One member of the Executive who will be responsible for reporting the views of Cabinet to the Committee (to be made by the Mayor):

Deputy Mayor Anntoinette Bramble

One Member of the Majority Group who is not a member of the Executive who will be responsible for reporting the views of the Majority Group to the Committee:

Cllr Lynne Troughton

One Member of the Opposition Group(s) who will be responsible for reporting the views of the Opposition Group(s) to the Committee;

Cllr Simche Steinberger

One member of the Audit Committee:

Cllr Ian Rathbone

One member of the Scrutiny Panel:

**Cllr Margaret Gordon**