

APPENDIX 2

Constitution and Member Support Working Group terms of reference

The membership of the Constitution and Member Support Working Group shall consist of one Member from each of the political Groups represented on the Council. The Group will be supported by the Chief Executive and the Monitoring Officer. The Working Group will be chaired by the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for Member development and shall be a member of the Working Group in an ex officio capacity in addition to the Group nominee.

The remit of the Working Group shall be:

To keep under review the Council's Constitution and to make recommendations for revising the Constitution to the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer in accordance with the provisions in Section 15 of Part 2 of the Council's Constitution

To act as a reference group for changes to the Constitution proposed by the Monitoring Officer in accordance with the provisions in Section 15 of Part 2 of the Council's Constitution

To keep under review the Council's arrangements for the support and development of elected Members and to make recommendations to the Head of Governance and Partnerships concerning improvements to and developments of these arrangements

To monitor the outcome of all Member training and development activity and to make recommendations for improvements which would increase the effectiveness and/or efficiency of such programmes.