

COUNCIL – 14 MAY 2013

OFFICER SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Report by the Monitoring Officer

Introduction

1. At its Annual Meeting, Council is required to agree the officer scheme of delegation within the Council's Constitution.

Scheme of Delegation

2. The scheme of officer delegation is contained in Part 7.3 of the Council's Constitution. The Scheme of Delegation itself, gives delegated authority to the Chief Executive, directors and other chief officers whose titles and/or areas of responsibility are set out in Part 2, Article 11 of the Constitution.
3. The Scheme of Delegation itself is unchanged. However, the areas of responsibility and post titles contained in Part 2, Article 11 are in need of update following transference to the Council of public health services.

Director for Public Health

4. Dr Jonathan McWilliam is the Council's Director for Public Health. Dr McWilliam has served in this capacity pending formal transfer to the County Council of responsibility for public health. This transfer formally took place in April this year and so Dr McWilliam's role is now formally a Chief Officer of the County Council. Article 11 has now been changed by the Monitoring Officer to reflect this. A copy of the Council's Officer Scheme of Delegation and an amended copy of Article 11 have been placed in the Members' Resource Centre for information.

RECOMMENDATION

5. **Council is RECOMMENDED to note the amendment to Article 11 of the Constitution identified in paragraph 4 above and to approve the scheme of Officer Delegation contained in Part 7.3 of the Council's Constitution.**

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Background papers: Nil

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