

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

MINUTES EXTRACT OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT KENNET ROOM - WILTSHIRE COUNCIL OFFICES, COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE.

40 **Recommendations from the Constitution Focus Group**

A report was received from the Monitoring Officer on proposed changes to the Constitution as recommended by the Constitution Focus Group. The changes were in relation to Part 4 - Council rules of procedure, Protocol 1 - Member/Officer relations, and Part 11A - Corporate Parenting Panel.

The Committee discussed at length the proposed changes, noting in particular that additional guidance on both substitution arrangements and the access of confidential papers would be discussed with Group Leaders before further consideration.

The Committee thanked the Focus Group for their ongoing review of the Constitution, and supported the proposed changes.

It was also agreed that Councillor Stuart Wheeler would be appointed to the Focus Group as a substitute for the Chairman of the Committee.

At the conclusion of discussion, it was,

Resolved:

To recommend that Council approve the changes to the Constitution as proposed by the Constitution Focus Group.

To appoint Councillor Stuart Wheeler to the Constitution Focus Group as a substitute for the Chairman of the Committee.

41 **Constitutional Change: Adoption of procedures and fees in relation to the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018**

A report to the Licensing Committee was received as a minor constitutional change to the Scheme of Delegation was included as a result of adoption of procedures and fees in relation to new Animal Welfare regulations. It was reported that the Licensing Committee had met earlier in the day and approved the report, and therefore it was.

Resolved:

That the proposed change to Part 3D4 of the Constitution be recommended for adoption at Council.