Date of Meeting	24 th April 2007	
Title of Report	Delegation to Officers	
Portfolio	Democracy and Governance	
Link to Corporate Priorities	Governance underpins the delivery of all the Corporate Priorities	
Public Report	Yes	

Summary of Report

To amend the general Scheme of Delegation to Officers and specific delegations to Strategic Managers necessitated by the management restructure.

Officer Recommendations

The Council agrees the following changes to the general Scheme of Delegation to Officers and specific delegations to Strategic Managers as follows:-

- i) All delegations presently exercisable by the Community & Environment Strategic Manager are to be exercised by a Deputy Chief Executive.
- ii) All delegations presently exercisable by other Strategic Managers are to be exercised by a Deputy Chief Executive once each post is formally deleted from the establishment.
- iii) All delegations exercisable by a Deputy Chief Executive also to be exercisable by the Chief Executive.

Other than those implications agreed with the relevant Officers and referred to below, there are no other implications associated with this report.					
Financial Implications	Legal Implications	Community & Environmental Implications	Human Resources Implications	Equality & Diversity Implications	
None	Yes	None	None	None	

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1. Introduction

1.1 This report deals with amendments required to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers and specific delegations to Strategic Managers necessitated by the management restructure.

2. Options and Options Appraisal

- 2.1 Option 1 Approval be given to amend existing delegations as described.
- 2.2 Option 2 Approval not be given to amend existing delegations as described.

3. Background Information

- 3.1 Council Officers are authorised to take decisions in the name of the Council in respect of all those matters set out in the Scheme of Delegation to Officers which forms part of the Council's Constitution and where specific delegations arise as a result of Executive or Committee decisions.
- 3.2 On 22nd February 2007 the Council approved a management restructure which effectively replaced the four existing Strategic Manager post by two Deputy Chief Executive posts.
- 3.3 The Strategic Manager Community & Environment has been appointed to one of the Deputy Chief Executive posts as from 1st April 2007. The other Deputy Chief Executive post has been advertised externally.
- 3.4 There is a need to amend the general Scheme of Delegation to Officers, and specific delegations to Strategic Managers, to reflect the change in the management structure.
- 3.5 These changes are:
 - iv) All delegations presently exercisable by the Community & Environment Strategic Manager are to be exercised by a Deputy Chief Executive.
 - v) All delegations presently exercisable by other Strategic Managers are to be exercised by a Deputy Chief Executive once each post is formally deleted from the establishment.
 - vi) All delegations exercisable by a Deputy Chief Executive also to be exercisable by the Chief Executive.
- 3.6 When implemented in full the management restructure will involve the appointment of Heads of Service. The general Scheme of Delegation to Officers and specific delegations to Team Leaders will need to be amended in due course to reflect these changes.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 Those Officers given delegated powers will have full authority to exercise those powers and take decisions on behalf of the Council.

5. Risk Analysis

5.1 There are no major risks associated with this report.

Appendices:	•	None
Background Documents Used in the Preparation of this Report:	•	None

Previous Decisions Connected with this Report

Report	Committee & Date	Minute Reference
None		