

North East Derbyshire District Council

Standards Committee

13th November 2024

Constitution Review

Report of the Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

Classification: This report is public

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PURPOSE / SUMMARY

Following discussion and the decision to do a light touch review of the Constitution this year, to outline the specific areas which will be considered.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Members note the proposed areas for review and suggest any further areas that need considering.

IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details: As in the report

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

| Decision Information | |
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| Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: NEDDC: Revenue - £125,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £310,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i> | No |
| Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In) | No |
| District Wards Significantly Affected | None directly |
| Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) details: | |
| Stage 1 screening undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none">Completed EIA stage 1 to be appended if not required to do a stage 2 | This would be done once the reviews were complete and a new Constitution proposed. |
| Stage 2 full assessment undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none">Completed EIA stage 2 needs to be appended to the report | No, not applicable |
| Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes Details: |

Links to Council Plan priorities;

- **A great place that cares for the environment**
- **A great place to live well**
- **A great place to work**
- **A great place to access good public services**

All.

REPORT DETAILS

1 Background *(reasons for bringing the report)*

1.1 Members made a decision at the last Standards Committee to carry out a light touch review of the Constitution this year. This will include the usual housekeeping review (carried out by officers) and certain other areas which have been highlighted during the year. This report is to inform Members of the list and to allow Members to add to it.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

2.1 The areas proposed to be reviewed are included in Appendix 1 for Members consideration.

3 Reasons for Recommendation

3.1 The Constitution and necessary changes should be considered every year by Standards Committee. This continues the process.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 It is not considered appropriate to not review the contents of the Constitution.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

| Appendix No | Title |
|---|---|
| 1 | List of areas of the Constitution for review. |
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| Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers) | |
| None | |