

Decision Maker: COUNCIL

Date: 29th June 2015

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: REVISION TO THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

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Chief Officer: Mark Bowen, Director of Corporate Services

Ward: Not Applicable

1. Reason for report

- 1.1 Following the departure of the former Director of Education, Care and Health Services, Terry Parkin, the Leader has confirmed interim changes to the Scheme of Executive Delegation to Officers, and Council is recommended to note these.

2. RECOMMENDATION

Council is requested to note that the Chief Executive has been granted authority (insofar as it is necessary) to exercise all executive delegations granted to the Director of Education, Care and Health Services.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Not Applicable
 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable:
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Not Applicable
 4. Total current budget for this head: Not Applicable
 5. Source of funding: Not Applicable
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): Not Applicable
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: Not Applicable
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement: The Council is required under the Localism Act 2011 to have a scheme of delegation for executive functions.
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable:
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Not Applicable
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Not Applicable
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Not Applicable

3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 As Members will be aware, the Director of Education, Care and Health Services left the Council's service on 31st May 2015.
- 3.2 Whereas the Chief Executive has wide functions under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and under the Constitution and Scheme of Delegation to allocate roles and functions and to take responsibilities on himself, for the avoidance of doubt is deemed appropriate that an express delegation be given to the Chief Executive to enable the discharge of functions presently delegated to the Director of Education, Care and Health Services.
- 3.3 The Chief Executive will, under the provisions of paragraph 7 of Part 1 of the Scheme of Delegation be able to further undertake the onward delegation of such functions to an appropriately skilled and qualified officer. This process was followed prior to the appointment of the latest Director and was recognised as good practice in the Ofsted report which arose from the inspection undertaken between 9th and 18th July 2012.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Leader can amend all delegations for executive functions at any time during the year. To do so the Leader must give written notice to the Proper Officer and anyone affected by the change. The Proper Officer is required to present a report to the next ordinary meeting of the Council setting out the changes made by the Leader.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy/Financial/Personnel
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	None