

Constitution Committee

Agenda

Date:Thursday, 24th June, 2010Time:2.00 pmVenue:The Capesthorne Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1DX

The agenda is divided into two parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. Apologies for Absence

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda

3. Public Speaking Time/Open Session

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the meeting on any matter relevant to the work of the meeting. Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers. Members of the public are not required to give notice to use this facility. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide three clear working days' notice, in writing, in order for an informed answer to be given.

4. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Governance and Constitution Committee held on 27th May 2010.

5. Wilmslow Community Governance Review (Pages 9 - 92)

The purpose of this report is:

- (1) to consider the recommendations of the Wilmslow Community Governance Review Sub-Committee following the outcome of the Stage 1 consultation; and
- (2) to make a recommendation to Council on the formulation of its draft recommendation.

The Wilmslow Community Governance Review Sub-Committee will be meeting on the morning of 24th June 2010 and its recommendations will be reported at the Committee's meeting.

The documents which the Sub-Committee will be asked to consider in making its recommendations to the Committee are listed below. The documents referred to under items (1) and (2) (d), (e) and (f) are included in this agenda at the pages indicated.

(1) Wilmslow Community Governance Review – Formulating the Council's draft Recommendation

A briefing paper on the points which the Council needs to take into consideration in formulating its draft recommendation (page 9)

(2) Wilmslow Community Governance Review – First Stage Consultation

The Sub-Committee will be asked to take into account the following feedback received and to consider and determine its recommendation to the Constitution Committee:

- (a) Valid petition requesting a Wilmslow and Handforth Town Council
- (b) Valid petition requesting a Handforth Community Council
- (c) Valid petition requesting a Parish Council for Styal
- (d) Results of the consultation with electors (page 23)
- (e) Other representations received (page 29)
- (f) Notes of the three public meetings held on 26th, 28th and 29th April 2010 (page 79)

6. **Outside Organisations** (Pages 93 - 98)

To consider a report which:

- (1) invites the re-appointment of the Task Group (Appointments to Outside Organisations);
- (2) deals with some specific appointments which have arisen recently; and
- (3) outlines progress to date on the monitoring of the effectiveness and appropriateness of representation on outside organisations.

7. **Overview and Scrutiny Working Arrangements** (Pages 99 - 102)

To seek amendments to the Constitution to recognise the re-alignment of Overview and Scrutiny Committees with the new portfolios reported at Council on 13th May 2010 and to agree to changes to the Constitution as it relates to the role of the Scrutiny Chairmen's Group.

8. Notice of Motion - Freedom of the Borough (Pages 103 - 106)

To consider proposals for a homecoming parade and Freedom of the Borough award for The 1st Battalion, The Mercian Regiment (Cheshire).

9. Civic Sub-Committee Update (Pages 107 - 124)

To update the Committee on the work of the Civic Sub-Committee and to raise awareness about decisions already taken.

10. **Proposed Review of the Constitution** (Pages 125 - 130)

To consider a proposal to initiate a review of the Council's Constitution.

(There are no Part 2 items)