CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Constitution Sub-Committee

Date of Meeting: 15th September 2017

Report of: Acting Director of Legal Services & Monitoring Officer

Subject/Title: House Style and Format of Constitution

1.0 Report Summary

- 1.1 At a meeting on 23rd August 2017, the Constitution Sub-Committee approved the approach to be taken to the overall style and presentation of the constitution.
- 1.2 It was proposed to observe plain English principles when drafting and to adopt a clear, modern approach to layout, including utilising hyperlinking where possible.
- 1.3 Members considered and agreed this approach so that the product generated by the working groups can be formulated and populated in the proposed new constitution.
- 1.4 Appendix 1 to this report contains a first draft of the proposed new Part 1 of the Constitution presented in the proposed house style for consideration and approval of the Sub-Committee.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 Approve the overall style and presentation of the constitution set out in the Appendix.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 To implement the decision of the Constitution Sub-Committee on 23 August 2017.

4.0 Detailed Proposals

4.1 In order to take forward the 23 August decision of the Constitution Sub-Committee to take a clear, modern approach to layout including utilising hyperlinking.

5.0 Wards Affected and Local Ward Members

5.1 All wards are affected.

6.0 Policy Implications

6.1 Policy Implications are unchanged from the position set out in the report to Constitution Committee on 4 August 2017.

7.0 Access to Information

8.1 The Constitution Committee papers of 4 August 2017 and Constitution Sub-Committee papers of 23 August 2017 relate.

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