

COUNCIL – 5TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Report of the Chief Executive

Part A

ITEM 13 DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

Purpose of Report

To inform Council of delegations of Executives functions.

Action Requested

In accordance with Full Council Procedure 9.11(d) questions may be asked of the Leader.

Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

At the Council Meeting on 20th May 2019, Council resolved that Councillor Jonathan Morgan be appointed Leader of the Council for the Council term 2019/20 to 2022/23. (Council minute 8 2019/20 refers).

As required by the Constitution, the Chief Executive reports to Council whenever the Leader makes a change to the composition of the Cabinet, or to the allocation of Executive functions to the Cabinet, individual Cabinet members or officers.

(i) Delegation of Executive functions to the Leader

On 30th April 2021, the Leader delegated to himself all Executive functions and decision making for a period of three months, in accordance with section 9E of the Local Government Act 2000. This has been extended at approximately three monthly interval and was last extended for a further three months from 7th July 2022.

The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 expired on 6th May 2021 and this delegation enables the Cabinet to meet informally via virtual meetings where it is deemed appropriate. To date Cabinet have met three times informally; 10th May 2021, 16th September 2021 and 13th January 2022.

Details are set out in the Annex to this report.

(ii) Scheme of Delegation to Officers (Executive Functions)

On 23rd August 2022, the Leader approved changes to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers to reflect the amendments to the Council's organisational structure as approved at Council on 4th July 2022. Details are set out in the Annex to this report.

Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions and Scrutiny

The Leader may amend the size and composition of the Cabinet and the scheme of delegation relating to Executive functions at any time during the year. The Chief Executive will present a report to the next ordinary meeting of the Council setting out the changes made by the Leader.

Report Implications

Financial Implications

The financial implications associated with the changes to the delegation of Executive functions are set out in the annex.

Risk Management

No specific risks have been identified in connection with this report.

Background Papers: None

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