CABINET RECOMMENDATION FROM 27 JUNE TO COUNCIL ON 13 JULY 2023

CAB12 SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Cabinet considered a report which explained that following the recent borough elections and appointment of a new Leader and subsequently changes to the list of portfolio responsibilities, amendments were required to the scheme of delegation so the two documents aligned.

The recommendations also suggested that if areas of responsibility should change between cabinet members, those changes to the scheme of delegation be made by the Monitoring Officer.

Councillor Morley proposed that an addition be added to the explanatory notes for portfolio holder delegations: "That the Portfolio Holder for Finance must be consulted in transactions which will result in expenditure over £250,000." He explained that this was to ensure that further down the line the budget.

Councillor Beales proposed that ICT change from the Finance Portfolio to Business. This was agreed.

RECOMMENDED: 1) That the list of portfolio responsibilities be noted.

- 2) That the portfolio responsibility for ICT be changed to the Business Portfolio.
- 3) That a sentence be added in the explanatory notes for portfolio holder delegations: "That the Portfolio Holder for Finance must be consulted in transactions which will result in expenditure over £250,000."
- 4) That the amended Scheme of Delegation be approved as a change to the Constitution by Council.
- 5) That delegated authority be granted to the Monitoring Officer to amend the scheme of delegation should changes be made to the areas of responsibility of Cabinet Members.

Reason for Decision

To ensure the scheme of delegation is in line with the portfolio areas of responsibility, to permit changes in portfolio areas of responsibility to be reflected in the Scheme of Delegation, and to ensure the Portfolio for Finance is aware of large amounts of expenditure above budget.