1. <u>Standing Orders Amendment</u> (Pages 1 - 4)

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY OFFICERS UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

This is a record of a decision taken by an officers under delegated powers and where necessary taken in consultation with members and officers.

Delegated Power

Specify the particular delegated power being exercised by reference to the Delegation Scheme or Cabinet minute and date.

Articles

Changes to the Constitution

15.04 **General** Changes to the Constitution may be made only by the Council after consideration by the Cabinet. The Monitoring Officer may unilaterally approve drafting changes to the Constitution where they correct obvious errors, to take into account changes in legislation or better give effect to the clear intention of the Constitution.

Decision Taken

Specify precise details of the decision taken

Motions which may not be moved without notice

In Standing Order 14.2 b)

To add the word "working" so it reads : to be delivered to the Chief Executive at least seven clear working days before the date of the meeting

Reasons for the Decision

Specify all reasons for taking the decision

It has been identified that the Standing Orders requires additional definitions on the meaning of 'clear days' and 'working days' and to ensure that there is consistency of application throughout, as it has been identified that there are a number of inconsistencies throughout the constitution in terms of the use of 'working days'.

Without the term clear working days the timeframe is such that the Council agenda will have to be published before or at the same time as the deadline for receiving motions. It cannot be the intention that the deadline for receiving motions is at the same time or after the deadline for issuing the agenda.

Accordingly, for the sake of practical reality of needing to know what is in the agenda before it is published, the additional word should be added so that there will be two working days to assess motions received for validity under the Standing Orders and to be considered by legal to ensure they are intra vires, before the agenda is published.

Options considered

To not make the change makes the issuing of agendas for Full Council unworkable.

Once highlighted this requires amendment.

Any declarations of interest and details of any dispensations granted in respect of interests.
None
List of Background papers
Constitution
Authorisation
Post Held Monitoring Officer
Signature
Date 16/12/2020
Consultation with members/officers
If the decision is taken following consultation with the members/officers, please give details:
Signed by Member on conculted.
Signed by Member as consulted:
Date

Pre-Screening Equality Impact Assessment





Name of policy/service/function						
Is this a new or existing policy/ service/function?	New / Existin	g (delete as appropriate	e)			
Brief summary/description of the main aims of the policy/service/function being screened.						
Please state if this policy/service rigidly constrained by statutory obligations						
Question	Answer					
1. Is there any reason to believe that the policy/service/function could have a specific impact on people from one or more of the following groups according to their different protected characteristic, for example, because they have			Positive	Negative	Neutral	Unsure
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in terms of ability to access the service?	Disability					
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Please tick the relevant box for each group.	Gender Re-ass	signment				
	Marriage/civil p	partnership				
NB. Equality neutral means no negative impact on	Pregnancy & n	naternity				
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