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## **Report of City Solicitor**

**Report to Leader of Council** 

Date: 4th January 2017

**Subject: Executive Arrangements** 

Are specific electoral wards affected?  If yes, name(s) of ward(s):	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for call-in?	Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?  If relevant, access to information procedure rule number:  Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

## **Summary of main issues**

- 1. The Leader's executive arrangements provide inter-alia details of deputy and support executive members who assist the Executive Members in their oversight of executive decision making.
- 2. The Leader has decided to amend the details of Members designated as deputy and support executive members as set out in this report.

## Recommendations

1. The Leader is requested to approve amendments to the document 'Support to Executive Members' (shown at Appendix 1 attached) with immediate effect.

## 1. Purpose of this report

1.1 This report sets out amendments to the Leader's executive arrangements which are necessary to reflect changes to deputy and support executive members.

## 2. Background information

- 2.1 At the Annual Meeting of Council on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016 the Leader presented details of her executive arrangements to Council.
- 2.2 The Leader may amend the scheme of delegation relating to executive functions at any time during the year and must present a report detailing any such changes at the next ordinary meeting of Council.

#### 3. Main issues

3.1 The Leader has indicated that she wishes to alter the list of Members appointed as deputy and support executive members and is asked to approve the amendments shown at Appendix 1 attached with immediate effect.

## 4. Corporate considerations

## 4.1 Consultation and engagement

4.1.1 The Leader has consulted with all Members affected by the changes.

## 4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

4.2.1 There are no implications for this report.

## 4.3 Council policies and best council plan

4.3.1 The changes outlined within this report support the Council's ambition of being a compassionate city with a strong economy.

#### 4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 The changes set out in the attached Appendix comply with the requirement set out in the Members Allowances Scheme that "the Leader may determine the number of Deputy and Support Executive Members provided that the allowances paid do not exceed the equivalent payment of 4 x Deputy and 9 x Support Executive Members plus 10%".

### 4.5 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

4.5.1 As a decision of the Leader in relation to her executive arrangements this report will not be open to Call In. The Leader will however need to report the changes to her executive arrangements to the next ordinary meeting of Council.

## 4.6 Risk management

4.6.1 The proposed amendments will ensure that the Council's constitution remains up to date and fit for purpose and that decision making arrangements are robust.

#### 5. Conclusions

5.1 Changes to the designated deputy and support executive members require amendments to the Leader's executive arrangements.

## 6. Recommendations

6.1 The Leader is requested to approve amendments to the document 'Support to Executive Members' (shown at Appendix 1 attached) with immediate effect.

# 7. Background documents<sup>1</sup>

7.1 None

<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.