

Appendix 2

Extracts from Council Procedure Rules

Extract 1:

1.1 Timing and Business

In a year when there is an ordinary election of Councillors, the annual meeting will take place within 21 days of the retirement of the outgoing Councillors. In any other year, the annual meeting will take place in March, April or May.

The annual meeting will:

- (a) elect a person to preside if the Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor are not present;
- (b) elect the Lord Mayor;
- (c) elect the Deputy Lord Mayor;
- (d) approve the minutes of the last meeting;
- (e) receive any announcements from the Lord Mayor and/or Head of Paid Service;
- (f) elect the Leader;¹
- (g) establish such committees, boards and panels as are required by statute and such other committees as it considers appropriate to deal with matters which are neither reserved to the Council nor are executive functions (as set out in Part 3, Section 2A of this Constitution)
- (h) No appointments under Rule 1 shall be for a period beyond the next Annual Meeting of the Council but they may be altered at any meeting of the Council;
- (i) agree the scheme of delegation or such part of it as the Constitution determines it is for the Council to agree (as set out in Part 3, Section 2C of this Constitution);

¹ Only at the annual meeting held in 2010, or at any other subsequent annual meeting held on a day when the Leader's term of office is to end by virtue of Section 44E(3) Local Government Act 2000. If the Council fails to elect the Leader at the relevant annual meeting, the Leader is to be elected at a subsequent meeting.

- (j) receive the documents presented by the Leader in accordance with Executive Procedure Rule 1.2;
- (k) approve a programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for the year; and
- (l) consider any business set out in the notice convening the meeting.

Extract 2:

2.2 Order of Business

Except as otherwise provided by Rule 2.3 or by statute, the order of business at every meeting of the Council, (other than the Annual meeting, any Extraordinary Meeting or the Budget Meeting², where the business to be transacted at the meeting will be specified in the Summons), shall be to:

- (a) choose a person to preside if the Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor are absent;
- (b) approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the last meeting of the Council except where the meeting is a meeting called under paragraph 3 (extraordinary meetings) of Schedule 12 to the Local Government Act 1972, in which case the next following meeting of the Council (being a meeting called other than under that paragraph) shall be treated as a suitable meeting for the purposes of paragraph 41(1) and (2) (signing of minutes) of that Schedule;
- (c) receive any declarations of interest from Members;
- (d) receive such communications as the Lord Mayor, the Leader, Deputy Leader, Members of the Executive Board, or the Chief Executive consider to be appropriate;
- (e) receive deputations (if any) in accordance with Rule 10;
- (f) receive such reports as the Chief Executive, Monitoring Officer or Section 151 Officer consider appropriate;
- (g) deal with questions (if any) in accordance with Rule 11;

² Business over and above the budget is usually admitted by agreement but there is a presumption that such agreement will not include the attendance of deputations or question time.

- (h) consider any recommendations of the Executive Board;
- (i) consider any recommendations of a Scrutiny Board;
- (j) consider any recommendations of the Standards Committee;
- (k) consider any recommendations of the General Purposes Committee ;
- (l) consider any recommendations of the Corporate Governance & Audit Committee;
- (m) consider any recommendations of the Licensing Committee;
- (n) consider any recommendations of Area Committees;
- (o) receive the minutes of the Executive Board and committees, boards and panels established under Rule 1.1(g); and
- (p) consider White Paper Motions (if any) submitted in accordance with Rule 12.