

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 12TH MAY, 2015

PRESENT: Councillor K Wakefield in the Chair

Councillors D Blackburn, J Blake, S Golton,
J Lewis, A Lowe, E Nash, J Procter and
M Rafique

Apologies Councillor G Latty

41 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

42 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

43 Late items

There were no late items submitted to the agenda for consideration.

44 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

No declarations were made.

45 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Latty.

46 Minutes 12th February 2015

RESOLVED - The minutes of the meeting held on 12th February were approved as a correct record.

47 Annual Review of Constitution

The Principal Corporate Governance Officer presented a report submitted by the City Solicitor which proposed amendments to the Constitution following the Head of Governance Services' annual review.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to recommend to full Council that:

- (a) Article 1 be amended as set out within Appendix A of the submitted report;

- (b) Article 4 be amended as set out within Appendix B of the submitted report;
- (c) Article 6 be amended as set out within Appendix J of the submitted report;
- (d) The Scrutiny Board Terms of Reference be amended as set out within Appendices C-H of the submitted report;
- (e) The Corporate Governance and Audit Committee Terms of Reference be amended as set out at Appendix K of the submitted report; and
- (f) The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules be amended as set out at Appendix I of the submitted report.

48 Webcasting of Council and Committee Meetings

The City Solicitor submitted a report which sought approval to continue with webcasting for Council a further 12 months by way of an extension to the existing contract with Public-i. and, if so, asked Members to determine the period of time by which the existing contract should be extended.

The report also sought approval for the trialing of webcasting technologies (for Executive Board and Plans Panels) within the new committee facilities on the west wing of the Civic Hall – with a view for a proposal being brought back to this Committee in due course.

RESOLVED – the Committee resolved to:

- (a) Continue to webcast Council meetings and agree an extension for a further 12 month period to 1st September 2016;
- (b) Agree to extend webcast coverage to meetings of the Executive Board and City Plans Panel;
- (c) Agree that a trial of webcast solutions for the new committee facility be undertaken; and
- (d) Request a further report, following the completion of the trials, setting out costs for the expansion of webcasting to the new committee facility.