

OFFICER REPORT TO COUNCIL

AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

KEY ISSUE/DECISION:

The Leader has agreed changes to the Council's Scheme of Delegation. In accordance with Articles 5.02 and 6.04(d)(ii) of the Council's Constitution, the changes made by the Leader are being reported to Council.

BACKGROUND:

1. The Leader is responsible for maintaining a list in Part 3 of the Constitution setting out who will exercise executive functions. Any changes to this list are required to be reported to the next appropriate meeting of the County Council.

Delegation to officers

- 2. An internal review of delegations to officers in the Environment & Infrastructure directorate took place during Spring 2013. In addition to updating officer post titles in the scheme where necessary, the review also identified several areas where additions, deletions and amendments were needed to facilitate the effective discharge of the directorate's responsibilities, for example to reflect changes in legislation or the authority's duties.
- 3. The changes to the Scheme are summarised below by reference number.

Transport

- T25 Deletion of reference to 2(a) of the Transport Act (not relevant)
- T41 Enables introduction/withdrawal of school crossing patrols in consultation with the local Member
- T46 Provides authority to deliver the concessionary bus fare scheme
- T47 Enables exercise of flood risk and flood management powers

Planning

P38 - Addition of consultation with divisional Member on legal orders for developments

- P53 Agreement of the annual aggregates assessment in consultation with Cabinet Member
- P54 Representation of the Council on the SE England Aggregates Working Party

Waste Management

- W7 Exercise of Waste Disposal authority duties.
- 4. Printed copies of the updated Scheme of Delegation pages will be circulated to replace the existing copies in Members' Constitutions.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the amendments agreed by the Leader to the Scheme of Delegation be noted.

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Sources/background papers:

The Council's Constitution