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**REPORT TO:** POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

**DATE:** 2 APRIL 2009

**REPORTING OFFICER:** CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**SUBJECT:** REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION – COUNCIL  
PROCEDURE RULES

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**1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To consider changes to the Council's Constitution relating to the Council Procedure Rules as recommended by the Constitution Review Working Party meeting on 11 March 2009.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That Council be recommended to adopt the change to the Council's Constitution as shown in Annex 1 attached.

**3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 To 'prepare and keep up to date' the Constitution in accordance with Section 37 of the Local Government Act 2000.

**4.0 REPORT**

- 4.1 Members of the Constitution Review Working Party meeting on 11 March 2009 considered changes to the Council Procedure Rules and these proposed changes are shown as track changes on Annex 2. The new text is shown underlined and text which is deleted is shown with a horizontal line through the text.
- 4.2 Members of the Policy and Resources Committee are asked to consider the proposed changes to the Council Procedure Rules and also consider recommending Council to adopt the changes.

**Background Papers:**

New Council Constitutions – Guidance Pack volumes 1 and 2 published by DETR on 27 October 2000

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