Changes to the Constitution – Schedule and Summary

Categories:

1: Changes requiring Council approval, 2: Changes considered by relevant Committee first, 3: Very minor changes – delegated, 4: Executive - Cabinet decision.

	cument and link to	Cat	Summary of changes	Timescales				
Cha	Chapter 1 – Introduction, Summary and Explanation							
1	Introduction, Summary and Explanation	1	 Additional information re Freedom of the City (equivalent to Aldermen / Women). Propose separate document for nomination of and removal of Civic honours. 	Full Council November '23				
Cha	Chapter 2 – Responsibility for Functions							
2	Responsibility for Functions	3	Tidy up local choice and some minor corrections.	Delegation at Full Council November '23				
Cha	pter 3 – Procedure Rules							
3	Council Procedure Rules	1	 To add deferral of item to motions that can be moved without notice at CPR 12. & 13.9 Update quorum. Update CPR 19.5 (Conflicts of Interest) to ensure consistency with the Council's Code of Conduct. 	Full Council January '23 – and then February '23.				
4	Cabinet Procedure Rules	4	Add note to set out which Cabinet Procedure Rules apply to delegated decision meetings.	Cabinet in December '23				
5	Overview & Scrutiny Procedure Rules	1	 Change to section 12(a) to reflect 1 months (or where there is no Cabinet meeting within 1 month, the next available Cabinet meeting, or with the agreement of the scrutiny Chair and portfolio holder a delegated decision meeting). Change to 16(d) to require publication of notice where mediation successful. Requirement that a Councillor calling in a decision must not have a DPI, ORI or NRI in a decision. Other consequential changes. 	Full Council November '23				
6	Access to Information Procedure Rules	1	Amended Appendix C of Councillor Officer Protocol moved to Appendix of AIPRs.	Full Council November'23				
7	Budget & Policy Framework Procedure Rules	N/a	N/a	N/a				
8	Financial Regulations	1	To update job titles and legislative references.	Full Council November '23				
9	Contract Procedure Rules	1	Rewritten document to reflect legislative changes and to simplify for colleagues. No changes to procurement thresholds.	Full Council November '23				
10	Officer Employment Procedure Rules	3	Legislative references, amend references to Director, to Director and Deputy C/E.	Delegation at Full Council November '23				

Cha	Chapter 4 – Codes and Protocols						
11	Code of Conduct for Councillors	N/a	N/a	N/a			
12	Code of Conduct for Officers	N/a	N/a	N/a			
13	Councillor & Officer Charter and Protocol on Councillor-Officer Relationship	1	 Amend Appendix C and move to be Appendix of Access to Information Procedure Rules. Remove Appendix A (The Code of Recommended Practice On Local Authority Publicity) as this is an established / published document. 	Full Council November'23			
14	Councillors' Planning Code of Good Practice	2	Updated to reflect current interests' regime and lates LLG draft Code.	Planning Committee in December '23. Council January '24			
15	Social Media Guidance for Councillors (2021)	2	To be discussed / agreed by Standards working Group.	Standards Committee January '24. Council February '24			
Cha	pter 5 – Councillor's Allow	ances	Scheme				
16	Scheme of Councillors' Allowances 2023-24	1	 Consider how to approach indexation based on officer pay award. Consider some travel expenses being paid on 'account'. 	IRP to meet in Nov '23. Council Jan '24			
17	Parental Leave Policy for Councillors	N/a	N/a	N/a			
Cha	Chapter 6 – Glossary of Terms						
18	Glossary of Terms	N/a	Remove altogether.	To be removed on republication.			
Cha	Chapter 7 – Associated Documents						
19	Senior Management Structure	N/a	N/a	N/a			
20	Officer Scheme of Delegation	N/a	N/a	N/a			
21	Officer Scheme of Delegation for DM Matters	2	September Planning Committee, comments and amendments to October Planning Committee.	Planning Committee in September '23. Council November '23.			
22	Procedure for Public Participation at Planning	2	September Planning Committee, comments and amendments to October Planning Committee.	Planning Committee in September '23. Council November '23.			
23	Procedure for Public Participation at Licensing	2	To clarify time limits for objectors and other interested parties (currently none set out).	Licensing Committee February '24 Council March '24			
24	Whistleblowing Policy	N/a	N/a	N/a			
25	Councillor Retirements 2024-27	N/a	N/a	N/a			

26	Leader's Scheme of Delegation	4	Changes to financial limits annex (consequential to Contract Procurement Regs).	Cabinet in December '23
27	MKCC – Statutory Officers and Proper Officer Functions	3	Update to include new legislation.	Delegation at Full Council November '23
28	Procedure for the Nomination of Deputy Mayor	N/a	N/a	N/a
-	Officer Scheme of Delegation for Licensing & Reg Committees	Non e	Existing – move into main constitution.	To be added on republication