

88. CABINET MEMBERS' ITEMS**A.6 Amendments to the Council's Constitution – Phase 3**

There was submitted a report by the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Corporate Services, which sought Cabinet's endorsement for proposed changes to the Council's Constitution which had been suggested by Members and Officers of the Constitution Working Party as Phase 3 of the Constitution Review.

The Cabinet was made aware that those changes included proposed revised Articles, amended Rules of Procedure (Budget and Policy Framework and Officer Employment Procedure Rules), an amended Members' Allowances Scheme and the reinstatement within the Constitution of the Member/Officer Protocol. The key changes to each of those documents were highlighted within the body of the Report and where possible, in the text of the Appendices thereto.

Having considered the proposed changes to the Constitution and to enable those changes to be submitted to Council for approval:

It was accordingly moved by Councillor G V Guglielmi, seconded by Councillor Page and **RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL** that:

- (a) The proposed changes to the Articles, Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules, Financial Procedure Rules, Access to Information Rules and Members' Allowance Scheme, as detailed at Appendices A, B, C, D and E respectively to item A.6 of the Report of the Planning and Corporate Services Portfolio Holder, be adopted;
- (b) The Member/Officer Protocol be reinstated within the Constitution; and
- (c) The Council's Constitution be amended accordingly to reflect the changes above.