

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO COUNCIL

24 NOVEMBER 2010

**REPORT OF DIRECTOR
OF LAW AND
DEMOCRACY**

NEW EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS

At its meeting on 8 September, 2010 (minute C119/10 refers) Council considered and agreed the recommendations from Cabinet that the Council Leader and Cabinet executive form of governance, as opposed to the Directly Elected Mayor and Cabinet model, should be approved and that the relevant proposals for change should be submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government.

The proposals for change were submitted to the Secretary of State on 13 September, 2010 and have been available for public inspection since then at the Municipal Buildings.

The legislation relating to the adoption of new executive arrangements now requires a resolution to be passed at a special meeting of Council, agreeing to implement the new proposals from a specified date.

In addition, a document setting out the provisions of the proposed new executive arrangements has to be made available for public inspection. This document is a proposed, revised version of the Council's Constitution based on the agreed proposals for change. This has been made available to, and accessible by Members via Outlook, at "public folders – all public folders – SBC Constitution". Following the Council meeting, the document will be placed on public deposit at the Municipal Buildings. The changes involved will not come into effect until after the local elections in May 2011.

RECOMMENDED that the Council operates the Leader and Cabinet Executive (England) model of governance specified in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, with effect from the 8 May, 2011.