COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 18 MAY 2018

REPORT OF THE

Cabinet

PART I

1. CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS – SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

- 1.1. At its meeting on 16 April 2018, Cabinet considered a report regarding amendment of provision in the Constitution relating to the appointment of Substitute Members to Committees and Standing Panels of the County Council to which proportionality applies. The report considered by Cabinet is attached as an Annex to this report.
- 1.2. It was proposed in the Cabinet report in the interest of business efficiency and in order to minimise difficulties in representation by political groups on Committees and Panels of the County Council to which proportionality applies, that existing provision in the Constitution in respect of the appointment of Substitute Members be extended so as to allow appointment of up to two Substitute Members per political group represented on such Committees and Panels. Cabinet resolved to recommend the proposal for approval by the County Council.
- 1.3. The purpose of this report is to present the Cabinet report to the County Council, and to seek the approval of the County Council to the recommendation of Cabinet set out in the report, and consequential change to the Constitution.

RECOMMENDATION

That the County Council approves:

- a) that provision in the Constitution for the appointment of Substitute Members on Committees and Panels of the County Council to which proportionality applies, be extended so as to allow appointment of up to two Substitute Members per Political Group, represented on such Committees and Panels.
- b) that delegated authority be given to the Monitoring Officer to make suitable amendment to the Constitution to give effect to the recommendation at a. above.

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