

REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL



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Resignation of Leader of the Council and Election of New Leader
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PURPOSE

1. To note the resignation of the Leader of the Council, and to consider the election of a new Leader.

RECOMMENDATION

2. The Council are asked to;
 - (1) Note the resignation of the Leader of the Council; and
 - (2) Elect a new Leader and note the Leader's appointment of the Deputy Leader and the Executive.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. To enable a new Leader to be elected following resignation.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

4. The Council's constitution sets out within Part 2 Article 7- The Executive - that the Leader's term of office of four years will end on the day the Leader resigns.

The Leader, Councillor Charlie Briggs, is expected to resign prior to the meeting and in so doing will cancel all his appointments to the Executive.

5. Once the Leader resigns, the Council's Constitution also sets out within the Council Procedure Rules Part 4.1 Para 1.2 (ii) that the Council will then elect a new Leader as soon as is reasonable practicable, who will then appoint an Executive.

Part 4.4 Paragraph 1.2 of the Executive Procedure Rules also set out rules to be followed at the Appointments meeting regarding the appointment of the Executive by the Leader.

6. Part 2 of the Constitution further sets out practical arrangements for the appointment of the Deputy Leader and Executive Members and their portfolios. Once the Leader is elected by Council, notice in writing of the Executive appointments needs to be given to the Deputy Leader and Executive Members by the Leader at the Appointments Council meeting. This should take place immediately prior to Council being informed of their appointments.

It is proposed that letters of appointment be circulated at the meeting to the Deputy Leader and Executive Members to give effect to their appointment, and that the Council then immediately be informed of the appointments at the meeting by circulation of a list of the appointments.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION

7. None.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

8. None.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

9. None.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

10. None.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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