

## Decisions of the Governance and Audit Committee on Tuesday, 28 June 2016

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#### **Decisions**

5. **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION** 

#### Resolved-

- (1) That the proposed amendment to the Members' Code of Conduct, which forms part of the Constitution, be recommended to Council for adoption and implementation subject to paragraph 21A of Document "A" being amended to the training being completed within 6 months of being elected or re-elected rather than 3 months.
- (2) That the City Solicitor reports any recommendation to Council and ensures any agreed amendments are implemented.
- (3) That the City Solicitor be granted delegated authority to make consequential amendments to the Constitution as a result of any recommendations approved by full Council.

Action: City Solicitor

(Parveen Akhtar – 01274 432496)

6. REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) - POLICY, USE AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY - ANNUAL REVIEW

#### Resolved-

- (1) That the duties placed on the Council under the Human Rights Act 1998 were considered in the context of this report.
- (2) That the Council's continued compliance with RIPA and the completion of OSC (Office of Surveillance Commissioners) recommended training following the inspection in July 2013 be noted.
- (3) That the OSC inspection scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 be noted and a report relating to the outcome of the inspection be presented to the Committee in April 2017.





- (4) That the 2016 programme of training of Officers (in order to continue to raise awareness) and enforcement officers under RIPA be noted.
- (5) That the guidance at Appendix 3 attached to Document "B" (regarding Internet investigations and the communication to all Assistant Directors and Enforcement team Managers in order to raise awareness of the risks of such investigations) be approved as Council Policy.

Action: City Solicitor

(Richard Winter – 01274 434292)

#### 7. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2015-16

Resolved-

That the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive be authorised to sign the Annual Governance Statement 2015-16 (Appendix 1 to Document "C"), on behalf of the Council, to accompany the Statement of Accounts 2015-16.

**Action:** Finance Director

(Mark St Romaine – 01274 432888)

8. EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE 2015-16 AUDITS OF CBMDC AND WYPF

Resolved-

That the External Audit progress report was considered.

(Steve Appleton – 07881 283340)

9. MINUTES OF WEST YORKSHIRE PENSION FUND (WYPF) PENSION BOARD HELD ON 16 MARCH 2016

Resolved-

That the minutes of the WYPF Pension Board held on 16 March 2016 were considered.

(Rodney Barton – 01274 432317)

### 10. MINUTES OF WEST YORKSHIRE PENSION FUND (WYPF) INVESTMENT ADVISORY PANEL MEETING HELD ON 28 APRIL 2016

Resolved -

That the minutes of the West Yorkshire Pension Fund Investment Advisory Panel held on 28 April 2016 were considered.

(Rodney Barton – 01274 432317)

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