

Council Scheme of Administration

Elected Members will be aware that the Finance and Resources Committee agreed in June to approve a revised Executive and Strategic Leadership Structure for the Council as part of the leadership review carried out by the Chief Executive. Since then, appointments have been made to the Director posts and the majority of the Strategic Lead posts. The postholders for these roles will continue to work alongside the current senior management team until the end of March 2024 when the new Executive and Strategic Leadership structure will be fully implemented.

The Council's Scheme of Administration sets out levels of delegation in terms of decision-making to both Committees / Sub-Committees and also senior officers. The Scheme will now require to be revised to reflect officer delegation in line with the new structure.

Council is asked to note that;

- the delegated authority to the Chief Executive remains unchanged at present.*

Council is also asked to agree that:

- the authority previously delegated to the Head of Legal & Governance including the role of Statutory Monitoring Officer now sits with the Strategic Lead for Legal and Governance (subject to any minor changes as a result of change /transformation projects or the wider review of Scheme of Administration in the future)*
- The Strategic Lead for Legal and Governance will revise the Scheme of Administration to reflect the new senior leadership structure and submit this to Council on 6 March 2024 for approval.*
- In the interim the Chief Executive can authorise changes to officer delegations to support the smooth running of the operational business of the Council during this period of transition.*
- Political Group Leaders will be advised by the Chief Executive or Strategic Lead for Legal and Governance of any such changes as and when they are made.*