



Joint Report of the Presiding Member, Monitoring Officer & Head of Democratic Services

Council - 2 July 2020

Amendments to the Council Constitution

Purpose:	To note the Monitoring Officer amendments to the Council Constitution following interim changes to the Adult Social Services structure.
Policy Framework:	Council Constitution.
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1. Introduction

1.1 In compliance with the Local Government Act 2000, the City and County of Swansea has adopted a Council Constitution. From time to time it is necessary to review the Council Constitution in line with legislative requirements, officer structure changes and to ensure good governance arrangements.

2. Delegated Minor Corrections to the Council Constitution

2.1 Article 15 "Review and Revision of the Constitution" allows the Monitoring Officer to make changes / updates to the Council Constitution in relation to:

- a) Legislation;
- b) Changes to the Officer structure or changes of responsibility within the Officer Structure;
- c) The need to correct any administrative or typing errors.

2.2 Changes to the Council Constitution which fall under the sub paragraphs above maybe made solely by the Monitoring Officer. The Monitoring Officer has amended Part 7 “Management Structure” in order to reflect changes that have been made. An amended Part 7 “Management Structure” is outlined in **Appendix A** of the report.

3. Part 2 “Articles of the Constitution” - “Article 12 “Officers”

3.1 In light of the interim changes to the Head of Adult Services arrangements made by the Director of Social Services, there is a requirement to amend Article 12- Officers in the Constitution which sets out the various functions and areas of responsibility of Chief Officers.

3.2 The relevant extract of Article 12 is shown below:

Director of Social Services	<p>This is a statutory post. This Officer has Corporate Management responsibility and must provide the Council’s Social Services (including services for children, and families, people with mental health problems, people with disabilities and the elderly subject to any variations determined by the Chief Executive.</p> <p>Corporate lead for the Health, Social Care and Well-Being Strategy.</p> <p>The Service Units deal with the following broad work areas:</p> <p>Adult Services. Led by the Head of Adult Services. Broad areas of work include responsibility for the provision of the Council’s Adult Social Services.</p> <p>Child & Family. Led by the Head of Child & Family. Broad areas of work include responsibility for the provision of the Council’s Child & Family Social Services.</p> <p>Poverty & Prevention. Led by the Head of Poverty & Prevention. Broad areas of work include responsibility for the provision of the Council’s Poverty, Prevention and Community Regeneration services.</p>
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4.3 The Monitoring Officer has amended the Functions and Areas of Responsibility as follows:

Director of Social Services	<p>This is a statutory post. This Officer has Corporate Management responsibility and must provide the Council’s Social Services (including services for children, and families, people with mental health problems, people with disabilities and the elderly subject to any variations determined by the Chief Executive.</p> <p>Corporate lead for the Health, Social Care and Well-Being Strategy.</p> <p>The Service Units deal with the following broad work areas:</p> <p>Adult Services (Learning Disability / Mental Health / Service Provision & Safeguarding). Led by the Interim Head of Adult Services (Learning Disability / Mental Health / Service Provision & Safeguarding). Broad areas of work include responsibility for the provision of the Council’s Adult Social Services (.Learning Disability / Mental Health / Service Provision & Safeguarding).</p>
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	<p>Integrated Services. Led by the Head of Integrated Services. This is a joint post between the Authority and Swansea Bay University Health Board. It is accountable to both Organisations. Broad areas of work include responsibility for all functions delivered through or linked with the existing integrated hubs for Older People and Adults with a physical disability.</p> <p>Child & Family. Led by the Head of Child & Family. Broad areas of work include responsibility for the provision of the Council's Child & Family Social Services.</p>
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Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix A Part 7 "Management Structure" Amended.