

19th May, 2017

To the Chair and Members of the COUNCIL

NOTIFICATION BY THE ELECTED MAYOR OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE AND THE ELECTED MAYOR'S SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. To receive an oral report from the Mayor of Doncaster, Ros Jones, on the composition and constitution of the Executive and the names of Councillors chosen to be Members of the Executive.

RECOMMENDATION

2. To note the Mayor's oral report to Council on the composition of the Executive.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

3. Citizens will be aware of who has been given responsibility for taking decisions. As a general rule, policy formulation and review decisions are taken by Elected Members and operational implementation decisions are taken by Officers.

BACKGROUND

4. Legislation provides for an Elected Mayor to put in place arrangements for the discharge of Executive functions. The Executive Procedure Rules within the Constitution require the Elected Mayor at the Annual Council Meeting, to inform Council of the composition of the Executive for the year ahead and to provide a broad outline of the Scheme of Delegations for the discharge of Executive functions.
5. The Scheme of Delegations sets out who is responsible for discharging Executive functions, areas of portfolio responsibility and includes decision making powers delegated to Cabinet Members (if any) and Officers. Work in preparing a new Scheme of Delegations for Executive functions is currently ongoing. Upon completion, the revised Scheme will be circulated to all Members of the Council for their information.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

6. Failure to report this information would be in breach of the Council's Constitution.

IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OUTCOMES

7. This report has no direct impact on the Council's Key Outcomes, but the existence of a Scheme of Delegations for the discharge of Executive functions, will contribute to effective decision-making.

RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

8. There are no identified risks or assumptions relevant to this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The proposals set out in this report are consistent with the requirements of the Council's Constitution.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. The Members' Allowances Scheme makes provision for Special Responsibility Allowances to be paid to the Mayor and Cabinet Members.

HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

11. There are no human resources implications associated with this report.

TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS

12. There are no technology implications associated with this report.

EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

13. There are no specific equality implications arising from this report.

CONSULTATION

14. Should the Elected Mayor wish to make changes to the Scheme of Delegations for Executive functions, the Mayor will notify the Chief Executive by serving notice of the changes. The changes in delegation will take effect upon the Chief Executive being notified. A report notifying these changes would be reported to the next available Council Meeting.

BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Council Constitution

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