

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL

22nd January 2029

Changes to the Council's Constitution

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Cllr G Denaro
Portfolio Holder Consulted	Yes
Relevant Head of Service	Claire Felton
Ward(s) Affected	All
Ward Councillor(s) Consulted	N/A
Key Decision / Non-Key Decision	Non-key

1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

- 1.1 This report asks the Council to consider proposed changes to the Council's Constitution in respect of the Annual Meeting of the Council and the deadlines for Questions from Councillors and Motions on Notice. These suggested changes have arisen following discussions between the four Group Leaders, following on from meetings of the Constitution Review Working Group.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Council Procedure Rules be amended as detailed in Appendix 1.

3. KEY ISSUES

Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no direct financial implications arising directly from this report.

Legal Implications

- 3.2 The Council is required by law to maintain a constitution which sets out how the Council makes decisions.

Service / Operational Implications

- 3.3 Following on from discussions held at meetings of the Constitution Review Working Group the Group Leaders have requested that Questions from Councillors and Motions on Notice be included in the agenda at the Annual Meeting of the Council.
- 3.4 A further request has been made in respect of the deadline for submission of Questions from Councillors and Motions on Notice to be amended, this would then allow these to be included within the main agenda pack of Council meetings and reduce the need for supplementary agendas and items being tabled at the meetings. The submission date for comments, questions or petitions from members of the public will also be brought in line with these deadlines.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

3.5 There are no specific customer or equalities implications arising from this report.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

4.1 The main risks associated with the details included in this report are failure to comply with legislative and governance requirements which may expose the Council to the risk of challenge by way of judicial review or appeal which may result in awards of damages and costs against the Council and loss of reputation.

5. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - Council Procedure Rules

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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