AGENDA ITEM 10

Audit and Governance Committee – 29th September 2015



FINANCIAL DELEGATION TO OFFICERS

Report of the Solicitor to the Council (Monitoring Officer)

Ward(s) affected: ALL

- 1. **<u>Purpose of Report</u>** To commence a review of the level of financial delegation to officers.
- 2. <u>**Recommendations**</u> Members are recommended to appoint a working group to review the levels of financial delegation as set out in the Council's Constitution.
- 3. <u>Report</u>
- 3.1 At the Extraordinary Council meeting held on the 9th September 2014, Members resolved *"that the level of financial delegations are reviewed by Audit and Governance Committee"* (CL. 794(2)).
- 3.2 Following a meeting with the Chairman of this Committee, it is proposed that a working group is appointed to undertake this review. The Committee is therefore recommended to appoint a working group for this purpose and also set the terms of reference and reporting arrangements for this group.
- 3.3 Depending on the size of the working group, the details of membership are set out below:

Total Membership	6	5	4
Conservatives	4	4	3
Craven Independents	1	1	1
Liberal Democrats	1		

4. Implications

- 4.1 **Financial Implications** None arising directly from the report.
- 4.2 **Legal Implications** None arising directly from the report.
- 4.3 **Contribution to Council Priorities** Improving how the Council governs its business.
- 4.4 **Risk Management** Not applicable.

- 4.5 **Equality Analysis** Not applicable.
- 5. **Consultations with Others** None.
- 6. Access to Information: Background Documents Not applicable.
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- 8. <u>Appendices</u> None