

## Appendix B

## **Constitution Review 2022 – Schedule of Changes**

## **Amendments from Existing Constitution**

Current Constitution Reference	Amended/Moved/Removed	Location in New Constitution
Part 1, Summary and Explanation	Content has been retained and has been updated to reflect example constitution formatting and wording	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
Part 2, Article 1 "The Constitution"	Para. 1.0.1 – principle re powers of the Council reflected in section adopted from example constitution.  Para. 1.02 states that this is the Council's constitution, which is also reflected in shorter explanatory section.  Para. 1.03 – purpose of the constitution has been reduced into an easy-to-read paragraph rather than lengthy list, in line with example constitution wording  Para. 1.04 re choosing between different courses of action has been removed as potentially unclear and didn't fit with example wording	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
Part 2, Article 2 "Members of the Council"	Para. 2.01 – composition and eligibility reflected in new constitution wording based on example Para. 2.02 – election and terms of councillors reflected in new constitution wording based on example Para. 2.03 – list of councillor functions updated to bring in line with example constitution wording	Part 1, Summary and Explanation  Part 2, Section A – Introduction to Decision Making

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	Para. 2.04 – cessation of membership included in new constitution wording Para. 2.05 – requirement to observe code of conduct incorporated into new constitution wording Para. 2.06 – section on allowances referenced in new constitution wording	
Part 2, Article 3 "Citizens and the Council"	Para. 3.01(a) re petitions is reflected in the Council Procedure Rules (see below) Para. 3.01(b),(c) and (D) re information for citizens, participation and complaints are reflected in new constitution wording Para. 3.02 re citizen's responsibility is reflected in new constitution wording	Part 3, Section A – Council and Committee Procedure Rules Part 1, Summary and Explanation
Part 2, Article 4 "The Council"	Para. 4.01 – definition of Policy Framework updated to more comprehensive list in example constitution. Definition of Budget Framework updated to example constitution wording but list of documents to be included still to be confirmed with Finance. Definition of Housing Land Transfer retained. Para 4.02 is a cross-reference to where Council functions were but is no longer needed as everything is in the same section now.	Part 2, Section C – Full Council (subsection 3)
	Para. 4.03 re council meetings has been updated to example constitution wording. Para. 4.04 is a cross-reference to tables of Council functions but is no longer needed as everything is in the same section now.	Part 2, Section C – Full Council (subsection 2)
Part 2, Article 5 "Chairing the Council"	Para. 5.01(a) – incorporated example constitution wording which has more examples of what ceremonial role includes	Part 1, Summary and Explanation

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	Para. 5.01(b) – incorporated example	
	constitution wording which has more	
	examples of what chairing meetings involves	
Part 2, Article 6 "Scrutiny"	Para. 6.01 is no longer needed as covered in	Part 2, Section D6 – Scrutiny Committees
	new scrutiny committee section (see below)	•
	Para. 6.02 is a cross-reference to where	
	Scrutiny functions were but is no longer	
	needed as everything is in the same section	
	now.	
	Para. 6.03 is a cross-reference to the	
	Scrutiny Procedure Rules and this will be	
	covered in that section.	
Part 2, Article 7 "The Cabinet"	Para. 7.01 re Cabinet functions has been	Part 2, Section E – The Cabinet (Executive
	amended slightly. This paragraph refers to	Functions)
	functions being the Executive's by law but we	
	have taken the example constitution wording	
	which sets out the relevant regulations as it is	
	a bit clearer.	
	Para. 7.02 re form and composition has been	
	retained and moved into example constitution	
	format	
	Para. 7.03 re the Leader has been retained	
	and moved into example constitution format	
	Para. 7.04 re Cabinet Members has been	
	retained and moved into example constitution	
	format	
	Para. 7.05 re the Deputy Leader has been	
	retained and moved into example constitution	
	format (re-ordered to follow Leader section)	
	Para. 7.06 re Cabinet Support Members was	
	not in example constitution but we have	
	retained it and set it out within the Cabinet	
	Members section	
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	Para. 7.07 re following the Executive Procedure Rules has been retained and moved into example constitution format Para. 7.08 is a cross-reference to where Cabinet functions were but is no longer needed as everything is in the same section	
Part 2, Article 8 "Regulatory and Other Bodies"	This article just sign-posted to part 3 of the current constitution so is no longer needed	N/A
Part 2, Article 9 "The Audit and Governance Committee"	Para. 9.01 re appointing a chair is covered by new example constitution wording Para 9.02 re membership, independent persons and parish members has been retained Para 4.02 is a cross-reference to where Audit and Governance functions were but is no longer needed as everything is in the same section now.	Part 2, Section D7 – Audit and Governance Committee (subsection 1)
Part 2, Article 10 "Area Committees and Forums"	Retained the text and inserted into the summary and explanation section of the new constitution	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
Part 2, Article 11 "Joint Arrangements"	For the equivalent of para. 11.01 (types of joint arrangement) and 11.02 (who can establish joint arrangements) we have gone with the wording in the example constitution on this as it is clearer but the substance of what it is saying has not changed from our original constitution.  Para. 11.03 (access to information) will be considered as part of the review of the access to information rules to see whether it is covered there or needs retaining.  The equivalent of para 11.04 (delegation to other authorities) in the example constitution	Part 2, Section F – Joint Arrangements

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	wasn't clear so we have retained our original	
	wording.	
	At para. 11.05 (contracting out) the wording	
	in the example constitution is the same as	
	our original constitution so has been	
	retained.	
Part 2, Article 12 "Officers"	Para 12.01 re general matters on key officers	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
	is reflected in new constitution wording	,
	Para. 12.02 re Head of Paid Services	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of
	functions reflected in new constitution	Delegation
	wording for Scheme of Delegation	Dologation
	Para. 12.03 re Monitoring Officer functions	
	reflected in new constitution wording for	
	Scheme of Delegation	
	Para. 12.04 re Head of Finance functions	
	reflected in new constitution wording for	
	Scheme of Delegation	
	Para. 12.05 re resources for Monitoring	
	Officer and Chief Finance Officer reflected in	
	new constitution wording for Scheme of	
	Delegation	
	Para. 12.06 re officers' obligation to comply	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
	with employee code is covered in new	
	constitution	
	Para. 12.07 re recruitment and dismissal	
	detailed in the employment procedure rules	
	is covered in new constitution (summary and	Part 2, Section A – Introduction to Decision
	explanation)	Making
	Para. 12.08 re reference to officers making	maning
	decisions under Scheme of Delegation is	
	covered in new constitution (introduction to	
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Part 2, Article 13 "Decision Making"	Para. 13.02 (principles of decision making)	Paras. 13.01, 13.02 and 13.04-13.08
	has been amended to reflect wording in	included in Part 2, Section A – Introduction to
	example constitution – see para. 9 of Part 2,	Decision Making

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	Section A – Introduction to Decision Making of new constitution. Apart from clearer wording, minor changes also include: taking account of relevant considerations only, specifically referring to the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer in relation to seeking professional advice and having regard to statutory duties (including best value).	
Part 2, Article 14 "Finance, Contracts and Legal Matters"	Para 14.01 and para. 14.02 are just cross-references to the Finance Procedure Rules and Contract Procedure Rules which are no longer needed Paras. 14.03-14.05 re legal proceedings, authenticating documents and the common	N/A  Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
	seal are all reflected in new constitution wording for Scheme of Delegation	
Part 2, Article 15 "Review and Revision of Constitution"	Wording updated to reflect example constitution wording, including a more fuller explanation of changes made by fact or law that the Monitoring Officer can make	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
Part 2, Article 16 "Suspension, Interpretation and Publication of the Constitution"	Para. 16.01 adopted more general suspension wording from the example constitution to say the can be suspended by law or as permitted by the rules within it Para. 16.02 re Chair's responsibility to interpret constitution is reflected in new constitution wording in summary and explanation section  Para. 16.03 re publication reflected in new constitution wording in summary and explanation section	Part 1, Summary and Explanation
Part 3, Section 1 "Introduction"	This section covers the description of Council Functions, Executive Functions and Local Choice Functions. We have gone with the	Part 2, Section A – Introduction to Decision Making

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	wording in the example constitution on this as it is clearer but the substance of what it is saying has not changed from our original	
	constitution.	
Part 3, Section 2 "Council Functions"	Table contained functions which were not Council functions (e.g. functions of planning and licensing committee). These have been deleted so section only contains Council functions.  Functions are now listed in the new format of the example constitution (rather than a table) and combined with other functions – see below	Para 1 and table included in Part 2, Section C – Full Council (subsection 1)
Part 3, Section 3 - "Responsibility for local choice functions"	Para.1 has been amended to reflect wording in example constitution (clearer wording).  Added "The determination of an appeal against any decision made by or on behalf of the authority" to list of Local Choice Functions as this is in the example constitution and comes from the Functions and Responsibilities Regs – suggested delegated to Chief Exec and Strategic Directors as they currently perform these functions	Para.1 and table are now in Part 2, Section B - Responsibility for Local Choice Functions
Part 3, Section 4 - "Responsibility for executive arrangements"	The section re executive arrangements has been retained but moved to the Leader section in line with example constitution layout Membership section incorporated into example constitution format Example constitution did not have quorum so have transferred that section across to it Have taken the example constitution wording for the functions and transferred in any that were not included from ours	Part 2, Section E – The Cabinet (Executive Functions)

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	Removed list of portfolios as the example	
	constitution links to the website with them	
	listed which seemed a better way to do it	
	Delegation wording has been retained and	
	moved into example constitution format	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	New constitution does not include all the	Para 1 included in Part 2, Section C – Full
functions" para 1 "Full Council"	functions contained within this section.	Council (subsection 1)
	Functions in current constitution will be	
	incorporated into new constitution (pending	
	consultation with HR, Finance and Planning).	
	These functions have been incorporated with	
	the functions above into a single Council	
	functions list	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	Transferred into the example constitution	Part 2, Section D6 – Scrutiny Committees
functions" para 2 "Scrutiny"	format for all committees.	·
•	Text from the annual scrutiny report has	
	been introduced for the Scope of the	
	Committee rather than the current	
	constitution wording as it was felt to be	
	clearer.	
	Functions have been incorporated into the	
	list that was in the example constitution	
	which included some additional functions that	
	the Committees currently do but weren't	
	reflected in our constitution.	
	Table of areas for each committee has been	
	retained	Part 3, Section D – Scrutiny Procedure Rules
	Additional change to move number of	
	meetings to the Scrutiny Procedure Rules as	
	is more of a procedural matter than function.	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	Transferred into the example constitution	Part 2, Section D7 – Audit and Governance
functions" para 3 "Audit and Governance	format for all committees.	Committee
Committee"	Functions have been incorporated into the	
	list that was in the example constitution and	
	separated into those headings	

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	Local assessment of member complaints	
	section has also been incorporated into the	
	new format but no substantial changes to text	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	Replaced with the example constitution	Part 2, Section D4 – Planning Committee
functions" para 4 "Planning Committee"	wording for this section as covers what is in	
	our existing constitution but is set out more	
	clearly	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	Transferred into the example constitution	Part 2, Section D1 – Licensing Committee
functions" para 5 "Licensing Committee"	format for all committees.	
	Retained separate functions for the Licensing	
	Committee and Licensing Subcommittee	
	(example constitution had them all as	
	functions of the Licensing Committee and	
	delegated on an ad hoc basis but we felt	
	separating them out was clearer)	
	Retained separate function wording for the	
	Taxi and Private Hire sub-committee	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	Transferred into the example constitution	Part 2, Section D3 – Investigatory Committee
functions" para 6 "Investigatory Committee"	format for all committees.	
	Following discussion with Head of HR, have	
	introduced more functions from the example	
	constitution as current constitution is quite	
	general.	
	Additional changes made to the officers	
	referred to following further input from Head	
	of HR	
Part 3, Section 5 "Bodies exercising Council	Transferred into the example constitution	Part 2, Section D8 – Employee Joint
functions" para 7 "Employee Joint	format for all committees.	Consultative Committee
Consultative Committee"	Retained existing wording as wasn't in the	
	example constitution.	
	Following consultation with the Head of HR -	
	Removed minimum meeting requirement of	
	twice-yearly and left it say 'as and when	
	required' given there has been no need for	
	the committee to meet in recent years and it	
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	"General Principles" and "General Limitations".	
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 3 "General Functions to be Discharged by the Chief Executive and Strategic Directors"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G2 sets out general delegations to designated officers ("designated officers" is defined as HOS and above).	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 4 "Chief Executive"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G3 sets out the delegations to the Chief Executive and Statutory Officers.	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 5 "Strategic Director of Place"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G2 sets out general delegations to designated officers ("designated officers" is defined as HOS and above).	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 6 "Strategic Director of Housing and Customer Services"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G2 sets out general delegations to designated officers ("designated officers" is defined as HOS and above).	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 7 "Arising from His/Her respective functions the Chief Executive and Directors are authorised"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G2 sets out general delegations to designated officers ("designated officers" is defined as HOS and above).	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 8 "Head of Legal and Commercial Services"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G3 sets out the delegations to the Chief Executive and Statutory Officers.	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 9 "Specific Deleagtion to officers in consultation with others"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G2 sets out general delegations to designated officers ("designated officers" is defined as HOS and above).	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation

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Part 3, Section 7 - "Scheme of Delegation" para 10 "Designated Authorised Officers" - "Signatories to Financial Documents"  Part 3, Section 7 "Scheme of Delegation"	New cascade of delegations has been adopted. Section G2 sets out general delegations to designated officers ("designated officers" is defined as HOS and above). The wording has been preserved but the list	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation  Part 2, Section F – Joint Arrangements
para 11 "Joint Arrangements"	of joint arrangements has moved to sit with the powers to enter into joint arrangements – see para. 1.8 of Part 2, Section F – Joint Arrangements	
Part 3, Section 8 - "Proper Officer Designations"	These have been maintained, though some further statutory functions have been added. Some are noted as TBC where they new and further consideration needs to be given to the appropriate officer.  These now appear in Section G4 "Proper Officer and Specified Officer Functions"	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
Part 4, Section 1 - "Council Procedure Rules"	Wording largely retained and moved into example constitution format.  Example constitution added an "Interpretation and Chair's Ruling" section, added section on "Chair of the Council and Deputy Chair of the Council" setting out what happens if these roles become vacant, added section on "Public/Councillor Participation at Meetings", added section on "Committees and Sub-Committees",	Part 3, Section A – Council and Committee Procedure Rules
Part 4, Section 2 – "Members' Substitute Scheme Procedure Rules"	No changes – the example constitution did not have a separate substitute scheme. We took the view to retain it and therefore will keep it as originally drafted (and updated in the last constitution review). When pulling together the final document it will be formatted to look the same as the rest of the new constitution.	Part 3, Section I - Councillors' Substitute Scheme Procedure Rules

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Part 4, Section 3 - "Access to Information Procedure Rules"	Wording largely retained and moved into example constitution format In the table describing exempt information, the 'interpretation' column has been removed to match the example constitution format as it appeared a bit repetitive  The example constitution sets out requirements for a forward plan, etc. but as the relevant regulations were replaced in 2012 and introduced Executive Decision Notices, we have retained our constitution wording on that	Part 3, Section C – Access to Information Procedure Rules
Part 4, Section 4 – "Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules"	Current version retained but amendments made by s151 Officer to make the definition of virement clear	Part 3, Section E - Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules
Part 4, Section 5 – "Executive Procedure Rules"	Wording largely retained and moved into example constitution format.  Example constitution added section on "Key Decisions and Urgency", added a section on "Public or Private Meetings of the Executive", "Attendance Rights", "Speaking Rights", "Questions by Councillors", "Questions by Public", "Minutes", "Record of Attendance", "Councillor Conduct", "Disturbance by Public", "Disclosure of Personal Interests" and "Effect of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on Participation", which have been included, as seemed sensible to do so. Quorum already included at Part 2, Section E – The Cabinet (Executive Functions) so removed from the rules to avoid duplication	Part 3, Section B – Cabinet (Executive) Procedure Rules
Part 4, Section 6 – "Scrutiny Procedure Rules"	Wording largely retained and moved into example constitution format.	Part 3, Section D – Scrutiny Procedure Rules

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	Example constitution added sections on "Work Plan", "Agenda for the Scrutiny Committees", "Rights of Cabinet Members" and "Crime and Disorder Matters", which have been included to bring it up-to-date and cover more content.  Have removed "The Scrutiny Committees will in any event have access to the Cabinet's Executive Decision Notice and timetable for decisions" as these are publically available, so no need to state this.  Removed the section on Who May Sit on the Scrutiny Committees and Co-Optees as these are covered in the Functions section as set out in Part 2, Section D6 – Scrutiny Committees  Moved Co-Optees from Scrutiny Procedure Rules to functions as fits better under that section.	Part 2, Section D6 – Scrutiny Committees  Part 2, Section D6 – Scrutiny Committees
Part 4, Section 7 – "Contract Procedure Rules"	Current version retained but minor amendments made to avoid confusion over who can authorise grants and in relation to being clearer on exemptions that Heads of Service can give from seeking quotes	Part 3, Section G - Contract Procedure Rules
Part 4, Section 8 – "Financial Procedure Rules (Financial Regulations)"	Current version retained but amendments made by s151 Officer — Virements - clear authorisation levels between officers/portfolio holders, cabinet/council dependant upon value and impact of virement Supplementary estimates - clear definition of a supplementary estimate and clear authorisation levels between officers/portfolio holders/cabinet/council dependant upon	Part 3, Section F - Financial Procedure Rules

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	value and type of funding source (external or	
	council). Internal audit section updated to reflect latest guidance The delegations to the s151 Officer within this have been included in the Scheme of	Part 2, Section G - Officer Scheme of Delegation
	Delegation in line with the example constitution (this will be cross-checked when the rules have been reviewed)	
Part 4, Section 9 – Officer Employment Procedure Rules	Content retained and moved into example constitution wording/format.	Part 3, Section H - Officer Employment Procedure Rules
Part 5, Section 1 – Member Code of Conduct	This has been updated recently as a separate document based on a Countywide agreed version so no changes have been made to this.  When pulling together the final document it will be formatted to look the same as the rest of the new constitution.	Part 4, Section A - Councillors' Code of Conduct
Part 5, Section 2 – Protocol Member and Officer relations	Content retained and moved into example constitution wording/format. Rights of councillors to access documents and reporting of meetings by press and public have been moved to the Access to Information Procedure Rules as it seems more appropriate there (and is in line with how the example constitution laid it out).	Part 4, Section C – Protocol on Councillor/Officer Relations
Part 5, Section 3 – Employees' Code of Conduct	New version produced based on another example. Head of HR carried out consultation with staff and unions and took into account comments in finalising the new version	Part 4, Section B - Officers' Code of Conduct
Part 5, Section 4 – Planning Code of Conduct	Following review the view has been taken that our current planning code is preferable	Part 4, Section G - Planning Code of Conduct

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Part 5, Section 5 – Licensing Code of	to the example constitution so no changes to this are being made. When pulling together the final document it will be formatted to look the same as the rest of the new constitution. The example constitution did not have a	Part 4, Section H - Licensing Code of
Conduct	Licensing Code of Conduct and upon general review the view has been taken that no changes are required.  When pulling together the final document it will be formatted to look the same as the rest of the new constitution.	Conduct
Part 5, Section 6 – Procedure and Resolution of Dispute/Conflict between Officers and Members	The example constitution did not have a procedure for resolving disputes/conflict between officers and members and upon general review the view has been taken that no changes are required.  When pulling together the final document it will be formatted to look the same as the rest of the new constitution.	Part 4, Section D - Procedure and Resolution of Dispute/Conflict Between Officers and Councillors
Part 5, Section 7 – Roles and Responsibilities for Councillors	No changes	Part 4, Section E - Roles and responsibilities for Councillors
Part 5, Section 8 – Monitoring Officer Protocol	The example constitution did not have a monitoring officer protocol and upon general review the view has been taken that no changes are required.  When pulling together the final document it will be formatted to look the same as the rest of the new constitution.	Part 4, Section F - Monitoring Officer Protocol
Part 6 – Members' Allowance Scheme	As there is a set process for reviewing the allowance scheme it is not appropriate to review as part of this work but in any event our current wording is driven by legislative requirements so it is unlikely that amending the wording would be necessary	Part 5 - Councillors' Allowance Scheme

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Part 7 – Member Structure	This will be inserted from current constitution	To be inserted into Section A
Part 8 – Departmental Structure	This will be updated to reflect current	To be inserted into Section A
	structure in the final version	
Part 9 – Glossary	Checked and updated and incorporated into	Part 6
	doc	

## **Additions to New Constitution**

Paragraph Reference	Effect of Addition
2.23, Part 2, Section D6 – Scrutiny Committees	This introduces the following Scrutiny function:  "will discharge the Council's scrutiny functions in relation to the reduction of crime and disorder pursuant to the Crime and Disorder Act 1998:  2.23.1 shall have power to scrutinise decisions or actions taken in connection with the discharge of its crime and disorder functions by any responsible authority and make recommendations or reports to the Council in relation to the discharge of those functions;  2.23.2 may co-opt additional members to serve on the Committee;  2.23.3 may require the attendance before it of any officer or employee of any responsible authority or co-operating body;  2.23.4 may make a report or recommendation to a responsible authority or co- operating body; and  2.23.5 shall exercise its functions in accordance with any appropriate regulations."

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	This is a legal requirement that is not currently expressly stated in
	our constitution
2.1.4, Part 2, Section D2 – Appointments Committee	This introduces a new Advisory Committee function:
	"To hear appeals against Chief Officers for dismissal or stage 2 of the grievance procedure whilst noting the role of the Investigatory Committee for the discipline of Statutory Officers."
	Our constitution does not currently specify where these appeals would be heard.

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