

Shadow Dorset Council

Date of Meeting	7 June 2018
Subject of Report	Constitution
Executive Summary	<p>Section 9P of the Local Government Act 2000 as applied to the Shadow Dorset Council by the Structural Change Order requires the Shadow Council to prepare and keep up to date a document, to be known as the Constitution, which contains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a copy of the authority's standing orders for the time being;(b) a copy of the authority's code of conduct;(c) such information as the Secretary of State may direct; and(d) such other information (if any) as the authority considers appropriate <p>The draft Constitution is attached to this report as an Appendix.</p> <p>The proposed Constitution reflects the Structural Change Order and also the relatively short period for which that the Shadow Council will exist. It has been considered twice by the Governance Task and Finish Group and was recommended for approval by the Dorset Area Joint Committee at its meeting held on 15 May 2018.</p>
Budget and risk implications	<p>There are budget and risk implications associated with the transition to a new council. However, the direct budget implications arising from the adoption of the proposed draft Constitution are not material in terms of the overall cost of transitioning to a new council.</p>
Recommendations	<p>That the Shadow Dorset Council adopts the draft Constitution.</p>
Appendices	<p>Draft Constitution v1.6</p>
Background papers	<p>None</p>
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