

MID WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE

Report Title: Amendment to CJC Constitution

Date of Meeting: 31st July 2023

Purpose of Report	To amend section 6 of the Constitution to provide for appointment of a Deputy Chief Executive
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1. Background

- 1.1 The Constitution was approved by the CJC on 4th July 2022, and section 6 provides for the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) but not for the appointment of a Deputy Chief Executive Officer.
- 1.2 Rules 6.2 and 2.3 of the Constitution require a CEO to be appointed at the AGM every year with the roles alternating between the Chief Executives of Ceredigion and Powys on an annual basis.
- 1.3 The Chief Executive of Powys County Council was appointed as the CEO for the CJC at its AGM meeting on 4th July 2022. Regrettably, the CEO has been on long term sick leave since February 2023 and in the absence of a Deputy CEO, the CJC made a formal decision to appoint CEO of Ceredigion as the CEO of the CJC on 18th May 2023.

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- 2.1 As the Chief Executive of Ceredigion was only appointed as the CEO for the CJC on 18th May 2023 it is recommended that this appointment is continued until the AGM in 2024.

2.2 To avoid the possibility of the CEO being unavailable in the future for whatever reason, it is recommended that the CJC also appoints a Deputy CEO who can deputise as and when required. In order to achieve this, it is recommended that section 6.2 of the Constitution is amended to read as follows: -

“DUTY TO APPOINT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

6.2.1 The CJC will appoint a Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer for such period as it considers appropriate from the Chief Executive Officers of Powys County Council and Ceredigion County Council and in accordance with Rule 2.3 of the Constitution the roles they will rotate on an annual basis.

6.2.2 The Deputy Chief Executive Officer will automatically deputise for the Chief Executive Officer whenever requested to do so by the Chief Executive Officer or when the Chief Executive Officer is absent for any reason.”

3. Integrated Impact Assessment:

3.1 There is no requirement for an Integrated Impact Assessment.

4. Workforce Impacts:

5.1 There are no workforce implications.

5. Legal Impacts:

5.1 The recommendations are supported from a legal point of view.

6. Financial Impacts

6.1 There are no financial implications.

7. Consultation:

6.1 There is no requirement for public consultation in respect of this report.

9. Reasons for Proposed Decision:

9.1 To comply with Rules 6.2 and 2.3 of the Constitution and to ensure future continuity of the function of the CEO.

10. Recommendations

10.1 To continue with the appointment of the Chief Executive of Ceredigion as CEO of the CJC until the next AGM in July 2024.

10.2 To appoint the Chief Executive of Powys as the Deputy Chief Executive of the CJC until the next AGM in July 2024

10.3 To amend section 6.2 of the Constitution with immediate effect as set out in paragraph 2.2 of the report