

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.

**County Council
25th January, 2018**

REPORT AUTHOR: Democratic Services Committee

SUBJECT: Recommendations from the Democratic Services Committee.

REPORT FOR: Decision

1. Summary

- 1.1 At the meeting of the Democratic Services Committee on 15th January, 2018 the following items were considered, and the recommendations in respect of each item are set out in the sections below.

2. Area (Shire) Committees.

- 2.1 The Committee considered a report reviewing the future of the Area (Shire) Committees (copy attached for information). Following a lengthy discussion it was:

RECOMMENDED to the County Council that the Area (Shire) Committees be retained with their current functions, that meetings be held quarterly, with the Chair able to call additional meetings in cases of urgency.

3. Constitution.

- 3.1 The Committee has been reviewing sections of the Constitution. Those sections are detailed below:

Section	Name	Revised Rules for consideration:
4	Full Council	4.6.6 4.21 to 4.23 (Rule markers only) 4.24.2 to 4.28 (Rule markers only) 4.40.1. to 4.40.2 4.42 to 4.42.14 (Rule markers only) 4.44 to 4.64(Rule markers only) 4.65.2(Rule markers only) 4.66.3 to 4.92(Rule markers only) 4.93 4.94 to r.95(Rule markers only)
6	The Leader	6.7 6.14 6.17
7	Scrutiny Committees	7.3 7.4 7.5.2 to 7.5.3B

		7.14 7.39 7.43 to 7.45 7.47.1 to 7.51 (renumbering only) Appendices
9	Regulatory Committees	9.2.4 9.2.8 9.3.6 9.3.7
16	Financial Procedure Rules	16.3
18	Code of Conduct for Members	18.4.6.2 18.4.6.5 18.4.8.1 to 18.4.8.2 18.4.10.7(c) 18.4.10.7 (5) 18.4.11.2 18.4.12 18.4.13.1 to 18.4.14.3 18.4.15.1(c) 18.4.17.1 to 18.4.17.2
19	Planning Protocol	19.1 to 19.5

RECOMMENDED to the County Council that the revised sections of the Constitution be approved.

4. Mandatory Training.

The Committee noted that following the review of Children's Services by CSSIW an Improvement Board has been established to monitor the Council's improvement programme. The Council is also to be the subject of a review of Adults Services at the end of January 2018. Therefore the Council is the subject of scrutiny by the Improvement Board, Welsh Government Ministers and our regulators.

A major part of the Council's improvement relates to the Leadership and Governance of the Council, and this work involves and affects all Members of Council, as political leaders, corporate parents, scrutineers and decision makers.

As a result a programme of Member Development has been designed to be delivered from January to March 2018 (copy attached). It is imperative that Members both attend and engage in these sessions to demonstrate that the Council is serious about improvement.

RECOMMENDED to the County Council that the programme of development linked to the Council's improvement programme be mandatory.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS.

Recommendation to the County Council	Reason for Recommendation:
<p>(i) that the Area (Shire) Committees be retained with their current functions, that meetings be held quarterly, with the Chair able to call additional meetings in cases of urgency</p> <p>(ii) that the revised sections of the Constitution be approved.</p> <p>(iii) that the programme of development linked to the Council's improvement programme be mandatory</p>	<p>(i) To review the future of the Area (Shire) Committees.</p> <p>(ii) To update Sections of the Constitution as part of the ongoing review of the Constitution.</p> <p>(iii) To demonstrate the Council's commitment to improvement.</p>

Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	Y	Within Budget:	Y / N

Relevant Local Member(s):	
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Person(s) To Implement Decision:	Clive Pinney, Solicitor to the Council
Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:	January 2018.

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Background Papers used to prepare Report: