#### **EXETER CITY COUNCIL**

## **EXECUTIVE** 5 APRIL 2011

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## NEW EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007.

#### CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION.

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To highlight the changes required to be made to Exeter City Council's Constitution as a result of the provisions of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ("the Act).

#### 2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Members will recall that the Act required a meeting of the Council to take place before 31 December 2010 to pass a resolution to move to a new form of Executive arrangements with effect from the third day after Council elections in May 2011.
- 2.2 Such a resolution was passed by full Council on the 14 December 2010.

  Members resolved to move to the Strong Leader with Executive model where the Strong Leader is elected by members of the Council for a four year term (or until the Leader's term of office ends).
- 2.3 At the same time, members also resolved to authorise the Assistant Chief Executive to make any associated and necessary changes to the Council's Constitution. Those changes are now set out by way of tracked changes attached as Appendix 1 to this report.
- 2.4 The Constitution will also include an "Exeter Convention" set out as Appendix 2 to this report which sets out how the Council intends to work with this new arrangement. Where there is a conflict between the Constitution and the Convention, the former must take priority.
- 3.0 **RECOMMENDED that** Council approves the changes required to the Council's Constitution set out in the Appendices to this report.

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# Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) Background papers used in compiling the report

The Local Government and Public involvement in Health Act 2007. The Local Government Act 2000