

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF LOCAL AREA COMMITTEES**

At its meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021, the Cabinet will receive a joint report of the Executive Director, People Services, and the Director of Legal and Governance, setting out a proposal to empower communities by shifting power from the Town Hall to communities in every part of the City.

The report includes a recommendation to Council that seven Local Area Committees are established by Sheffield City Council in May 2021 and that approval be given to the draft Area Committee Terms of Reference and Area Committee Procedure Rules attached to the report at Appendix 1 and 2 as changes to the Constitution, together with any minor consequential amendments, to take effect from the Annual Meeting of the Council.

A copy of the Cabinet report is attached for further information about the background to this recommendation. Members' attention is particularly drawn to paragraphs 17 to 29, which describe the process necessary for the establishment of Local Area Committees and proposals for their initial operation, and the draft Terms of Reference and Procedure Rules at Appendices 1 and 2 to the Cabinet report.

### **Recommendation**

That, subject to approval of the recommendations by Cabinet on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021, that the Council:

Approves the establishment of seven Local Area Committees and approves the draft Area Committee Terms of Reference and Area Committee Procedure Rules attached to this report at Appendix 1 and 2 as changes to the Constitution, together with any minor consequential amendments, to take effect from the Annual Meeting of the Council.

### **Options**

Full Council may:-

- (i) approve in full the recommendation made to Council by the Cabinet;
- (ii) reject the recommendation made to Council by the Cabinet; or
- (iii) approve with modification the recommendation made by the Cabinet.

(A copy of Cabinet's minute will be provided to Members after the Cabinet meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021, together with any proposed amendments which have been submitted for consideration at the Council meeting).

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