

COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION - SCHEDULE OF AMENDMENTS (implemented by MO)

December 2014

AMENDMENT	REASON	ASSEMBLY APPROVAL REQUIRED?
<p>Part 5, Chapter 1 – Councillors' Code of Conduct</p> <p>Inclusion of new paragraphs 9.3 and 9.4 as follows:</p> <p>9.3 In accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, any Councillor who is two months or more in arrears of Council Tax cannot vote on any item involving the budgetary process, or the expenditure of money during the year or subsequent years and must declare the fact as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting. A Councillor may, however, speak on the issue unless it relates to the process of Council Tax collection and enforcement. A Councillor must be fully aware of his/her own financial matters and must not assume notification by officers before this situation arises. Failure to comply with this rule is a criminal offence.</p> <p>9.4 Under local arrangements, a Councillor who is two months or more in arrears of Council house rent cannot vote on any item involving housing revenue account expenditure but is not required to declare the fact. A Councillor must be fully aware of his/her own financial matters and must not assume notification by officers before this situation arises.</p>	<p>Omitted from new Constitution in error (previously in old Constitution as paragraphs 12.3 and 12.4, Article 1, Part B)</p>	<p>No. Monitoring Officer implemented to correct error at drafting stage.</p>

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Part 2, Chapter 4 – The Assembly Amendment of paragraphs 5.2 (m) and 6.1 (f) to read "...Leader's Statement " instead of "...Leader's Report ".	Correction of drafting error.	No. Monitoring Officer implemented to correct error at drafting stage.
Part 2, Chapter 14 – Joint Arrangements Inclusion of new section 4 relating to Growth Boroughs Joint Committee.	To reflect arrangements approved by Cabinet on 18 November 2014 (Minute 57).	No. Monitoring Officer implemented to 'give effect to any decisions of the Council'.

February 2015

AMENDMENT	REASON	ASSEMBLY APPROVAL REQUIRED?
Part 2, Chapter 14 – Joint Arrangements Revised wording to paragraph 3, East London Waste Authority, to correct references and terminology.	To update existing wording.	No. Monitoring Officer implemented as a 'minor amendment'.