

## **PART II – INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER’S DECISION**

**Legal, Democratic & Governance Portfolio**

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (LD) – 19/240**

**on**

**Review of webcasting**

### **DECISION**

**RESOLVED** that the Portfolio Holder:

- (i) approves the recommended changes to webcasting provision of meetings in the Council Chamber, which comprises meetings of the Council, the Cabinet, Planning and Development Committee, Overview and Scrutiny Board, and other formal committee meetings held in the Council Chamber;
- (ii) approves that the current contract with Public-i not be renewed when it expires in May 2020;
- (iii) approves the capital investment required to purchase the necessary equipment for the recommended provision after May 2020; and
- (iv) approves the new Protocol on Webcasting, Reporting on and Filming Meetings attached as Appendix 3 to the report.

### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

- To build on the existing promotion of local democracy, and the transparency and community engagement in the democratic process achieved through webcasting meetings of the Cabinet, Council and Planning and Development Committee by extending webcasting to all formal committee meetings in the Council Chamber.
- To create significant savings for the Council moving forwards, and improve the support to webcasting via internal ICT services.

### **ANY RELEVANT INTERESTS DECLARED BY CABINET MEMBER AND ANY DISPENSATIONS GRANTED**

None.

### **DATE OF DECISION:**

23 December 2019

### **REFERRAL TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD:**

23 December 2019

### **IMPLEMENTATION DATE (if no call-in):**

31 December 2019

**Signed**



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**Director**

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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (LD) – 19/261**

**on**

**Public Question Time at full Council**

**DECISION**

**RESOLVED** that the Portfolio Holder approves:

- (i) the extension of the Council's Public Question Time scheme to full Council on a trial basis with effect from the meeting on 6 January 2020; and
- (ii) that the trial be reviewed by the Governance Working Group in due course.

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

To explore ways to promote public engagement in the democratic process.

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