

## **Proposed changes to Standing Orders**

### **Proposed additions to Part 4, Section 1 of the Constitution**

- 2.04 Addition of final sentence to existing text: 'See also Standing Order 3.09e.'
- 3.09e When a member is unable or unwilling, for good reason, to attend a meeting of the Council in the chamber due to public health concerns, the Chairman will allow the member to participate virtually via video conferencing, when the facility is available. This will be treated as attendance at the meeting but members attending remotely cannot vote or count for the purpose of calculation of the quorum of the meeting. Members participating remotely may take part in information and non-decision items only, namely the items of business set out in Standing Order 2.23 (d), (e), (i), (j) (save for a vote on any proposition), (k) (save for any decisions items or voting required), (n), (o), (q), (r), (s) and (t) (save for any decision items or business requiring a vote).
- 3.09f When a member of a committee is unable or unwilling, for good reason, to attend a meeting of that committee due to public health concerns, the Chairman of the committee will allow the member to participate virtually via video conferencing, when the facility is available. This will be treated as attendance but the member does not count for the purpose of the calculation of the quorum for the meeting. The member may not participate in any business for which a vote on a decision is required unless it comprises the recommendations on an item of business of a Scrutiny Committee.