

APPENDIX A

Consultation responses

COUNCILLORS	CONSULTATION RESPONSE
Councillor A	<p>I have to say the amount of papers I receive and the associated costs of posting these does make me feel that alternatives options should certainly be considered. I am generally in favour of this proposal but have listed a few views below.</p> <p>ICT Equipment – All members would need appropriate equipment to view reports etc during meetings. In my own situation a dongle or something else would be appreciated. The reason being that I tend to try and use lunch breaks to catch up on Council papers but am not able to access these from my workplace computer, nor am I allowed access to LCC wifi apart from on my work laptop. I have to add if this was not possible I would still consider using my allowance to purchase one as long as we are allowed to use it with whatever equipment is provided.</p> <p>Marking and notes on papers – I tend to mark papers with mini post its for new reports and where I have made notes. I am assuming reports will be sent out in pdf format. If this is the case it is easy to move to each report but could we be given some training on how we can make our own notes and bookmark pages.</p> <p>Regular use of VDU – I assume the authority would offer free eye tests to those people who are not entitled to those from their workplace, if they have one.</p> <p>I do like to flick back and forth in reports, while in meetings especially planning, but am sure I will adjust.</p> <p>We need to embrace change and I know these changes will take time to get used to but I am in favour of receiving reports electronically and hopefully this will achieve some savings. I am also willing to support any other members who may find this change challenging.</p>
Councillor B	I for one do not use a tablet, so where would that leave me at meetings?
Councillor C	still like to evaluate the papers in non electronic form if only an agenda then fine but not complex lengthy documents
Councillor D	<p>I will still need paper copies of everything.</p> <p>I am unable to presently go electronic for reasons that I have already outlined at scrutiny meetings.</p>
Councillor E	<p>I do not Mind notifications of meetings coming through on my computer, but for for all Council ,planning and all other meetings that I am on the committee I will require those all in paper. I always read them before and highlight the relevant points.</p> <p>Whilst I realise there is a cost saving of postage et cetera, would ther be a considerable saving if all people who are attending a planning meeting applied for their relevant papers to be available to be given to them as they come in the room,I wonder how many of the general public read them anyway, their agents might !</p> <p>I will be unable to sit on any committee where papers are electronic.</p>

Councillor F	I prefer paper copy. easier for referencing, notes etc
Councillor G	My personal view on this is fairly clear, I much prefer receiving them in the post. I would end up printing them anyway, most likely in a much more inefficient way.
Councillor H	Much appreciated but unfortunately I can not read large volumes of paper on the email , I can not concentrate and it hurts my eyes , I like to mark paperwork , it is inconvenient to flick around the pages on the computer , it is more time consuming , it loses your place , you lose the connection (as I just did !!), I can not just drop it in my bag and carry it with me -in short it is not effective and efficient. I would like to carry on receiving a paper copy
Councillor I	I'd like paper copies at meetings. To be honest without a good tablet to mark stuff up it won't work. Trying to view stuff via Citrix on a PC doesn't work for me.
Councillor J	I would welcome paper copies when it comes to Planning as I like to prepare myself with notes in margins prior to meetings.
Councillor K	I've previously presented and given my comments on the Electronic despatch of reports and how we should build a business case for it. I'm happy with the approach mentioned and would like to offer to be involved with any analysis or roll out on this.