

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

held in the Council Chamber

10 July 2012

commencing at 6.30p.m.

Present:

Councillors Bannister, Beesley-Reynolds, Dunton, Everett, Knowles,
Liquorish, Smith and Mrs. Wood.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Galton, Hall, King and Mrs Robinson
Officers Beth Murgatroyd and V. Wenham.

88 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Cllr Everett be elected as Chairman of the Constitutional Review Committee for the year 2012/2013

89 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Cllr Smith be appointed as Vice –Chairman of the Constitutional Review Committee for the year 2012/2013

90 MINUTES

RESOLVED that: the Minutes of the Meeting of the Constitutional Review Committee held on 28 February 2012 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

91 CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION AS A RESULT OF THE CHANGES TO THE STANDARDS REGIME

The Committee considered the decision of Council on 25 June 2012 to amend the Code of Conduct for Members and the recommendations of the Standards Committee of the 27 June 2012 on the same issue.

RECOMMENDED that

- i) the Code of Conduct attached as Appendix A to the report and approved by Council on the 25th June 2012 be substituted for the existing Code of Conduct contained within Part 1 of part 5 section 1 of the Constitution.
- ii) there be a revised definition of interests and forms of interests placed into part 2 and a new form into part 3 of the Constitution
- iii) Article 9 of the Constitution which currently sets out the terms of reference for the Standards Committee be amended to refer to the new Ethical Governance Committee and its terms of reference and composition as approved by Council on the 25th June 2012. attached at Appendix A
- iv) the process for dealing with complaints as set out in Appendix B be agreed and that this is formulated and inserted within the Constitution.

The Meeting ended at 7.20 p.m.