REPORT OF EXECUTIVE CABINET

NEW CONTRACTS PROCEDURE RULES

- 1. The Head of Legal Services presented a report on a proposal to introduce a revised version of the Contracts Procedure Rules in substitution for the Procedure Rules contained in Part C of Appendix 3 to the Council's Constitution.
- 2. The Contracts Procedure Rules require to be revised and updated as a consequence of the recent adoption of the Corporate Procurement Strategy in order to enable the procurement processes to be carried out efficiently and effectively.
- 3. A copy of the Director of Legal Services' report to the Executive Cabinet, accompanied by the proposed new Contracts Procedure Rules, is attached to this report, in order that the Council Members are able to be aware of the full facts before making a decision.
- 4. The Contracts Procedure Rules are embedded in the Council's Constitution, so the adoption of the proposed new Rules will require approval by the Council as an amendment to the Council's Constitution. However, Paragraph 27.2 of Part A of Appendix 3 to the Council's Constitution requires that any motion to add to, vary or revoke any of the Council's Standing Orders (including the Council and Contracts Procedure Rules) shall, when proposed and seconded, stand adjourned without further discussion to the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council.

Recommendation

- 5. The Council is recommended:
 - (a) To propose the approval and adoption of the new Contracts Procedure Rules, in the form presented as Appendix 1 to the Director of Legal Services' report, for inclusion in Part C of Appendix 3 to the Council's Constitution; and
 - (b) To note that the proposal will stand adjourned to the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council on 13 December 2005 in accordance with Paragraph 27.2 of Part A of Appendix 3 to the Council's Constitution.

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There are no background papers to this report.

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