

## THE COUNCIL'S POLICY FRAMEWORK (Appendix F Of The Constitution)

Governance Committee - 1 November 2022

**Report of:** Head of Legal and Democratic Services

**Status:** For information

**Also Considered by:** Council - 15 November 2022

**Key Decision:** No

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**Recommendation to Governance Committee:** To note the report.

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**Reason for recommendation:** To update Councillors on the Policy Framework as set out in Appendix F of the Constitution.

### Introduction and Background

- 1 At Annual Council the Council's Policy Framework, as set out in Appendix F of the Council's constitution is agreed.
- 2 Each year a review takes place for any policies and strategies to ensure we are complying with legislation and other guidance.
- 3 Following the annual review, it came to light that a further change may be required to bring the current practice in line.
- 4 The change requested was that the Community Safety Strategy and action plan be removed from the Framework, and be treated as a key decision in the same way that the Community Plan was for consistency.
- 5 As the Community Safety Strategy and Action plan is a Statutory Policy under the Council's Policy Framework, it must be adopted by Full Council as we have a statutory duty to provide a Community Safety Strategy as set out within the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, and therefore it is unable to be adopted by Cabinet.

### Key Implications

#### Financial

There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement

There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Equality Assessment

The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act. There is no perceived impact on end users.

Net Zero Implications

The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the council’s ambition to be Net Zero by 2030. There is no perceived impact regarding either an increase or decrease in carbon emissions in the district, or supporting the resilience of the natural environment.

**Appendices**

None

**Background Papers**

Council’s Constitution

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