

Article 14 – Review and Revision of the Constitution

14.1 Duty to monitor and review the constitution

The Monitoring Officer will monitor and review the operation of the Constitution to ensure that the aims and principles of the Constitution are given full effect and to formulate recommendations for changes to better achieve the purposes set out in Article 1.

In undertaking this task the Monitoring Officer will:

observe meetings of different parts of the member and officer structure;
undertake an audit trail of a sample of decisions;

record and analyse issues raised with him/her by members, officers, the public and other relevant stakeholders; and

compare practices in this authority with those in other comparable authorities, or national examples of good practice.

14.2 CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

(a) **Approval.**

Changes to the Constitution will only be approved by the full Council after consideration of the proposal by the Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Leader and the Leaders of the political groups.

(b) **Change from a Leader and Cabinet form of Executive to alternative arrangements, or vice versa.**

The Council will take reasonable steps to consult with local electors and other interested persons in the area when drawing up proposals for consideration by the National Assembly for Wales.