

Motion: That Council approves the proposed changes and amendments to Council meetings as referred to in paragraphs 14 and 21 as follows

4a) Endorse the continuation of the practice of having a maximum of 10 minutes 'Thought for the Day' prior to Council meetings and that this may also include a prayer. This item should start at 2.00 p.m. and be clearly marked as part of the Agenda.

4b) That Constitution Part 2 Rules of Procedure be amended to provide for the Annual meeting of Council to receive:

An address from the Leader of the Council for up to 20 minutes maximum;

A response from each of the leaders of the other political groups for up to 7 minutes maximum per speaker; and that

the Monitoring Officer be given delegated authority to incorporate amendments agreed at (i) and (ii) above in the Constitution, together with consequential amendments.

5. That Council approves changes to the Part 3 of the Council's Constitution, Scheme of Delegation, as detailed in paragraphs paragraph 34 of this report.

On the proposal of Councillor Bee, seconded by Councillor Sadler

Recommendation 4(a) was amended as follows

a) Endorse the continuation of the practice of having a maximum of 10 minutes 'Thought for the Day' prior to Council business and that this may also include a prayer. This item should start at 2.00 p.m. and be clearly marked as part of the Agenda.

Recommendation 4(a) upon a vote being taken was agreed 52 for, 5 against and 1 abstention.

Recommendation 4(b) and 5 were agreed unanimously without a vote.