

Labour Group Constitutional Amendments

No.	SUBJECT	CSP RECOMMENDATION
1.	<p>Public Petitioning of Council Assembly</p> <p>That council assembly is more open to the people of the borough and that they may present petitions to the council. The public petitioner will have three minutes to present the petition followed by up to five minutes of questions from members.</p> <p>The petition needs to be on a subject relevant to Southwark, and should be heard with the consent of the meeting.</p>	<p>That more information be provided on the process to be followed at council assembly.</p> <p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p>
2.	<p>Rotherhithe and Peckham Community Council</p> <p>That two of the three Councillors for the Livesey Ward will have full voting rights at Peckham community council, and one of the three Councillors for Livesey Ward shall have full voting rights at Rotherhithe community council. To be decided annually by council assembly on the majority recommendation of the three Livesey Councillors.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p>
3.	<p>Individual Decision Making</p> <p>Overview & Scrutiny Committee (OSC) to keep under review the decisions which are made by individual member and to be able to order that decisions are made at a different level.</p>	<p>Officers advised that this change could be ruled out of order as OSC can only review decisions that have been taken, not require them to be taken at a different level. This is in line with government legislation.</p>
4.	<p>Motions Deadline</p> <p>Motions deadline can be closer to the council assembly - moving from Wednesday, to the Friday.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p> <p>Previously agreed that all councillors receive a copy of the motions after the deadline for receipt.</p>

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5.	<p>Community Council Powers</p> <p>That community council has the power to summon executive members and to send reports to the executive.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p> <p>Officers advised that this process would need to be constructed so that community councils were not undertaking a scrutiny role as this would exclude executive members.</p>
6.	<p>Speech Times</p> <p>That proposal of budget amendments be granted five minutes, rather than three.</p>	<p>No recommendation.</p>
7.	<p>Executive Statements</p> <p>That executive statements are circulated in writing at the start of the meeting rather than given orally.</p>	<p>No recommendation</p>
8.	<p>Guillotine</p> <p>The guillotine is taken 3 hours from the end of members questions.</p>	<p>No recommendation</p>
9.	<p>Members Allowance Scheme</p> <p>Reduce SRA for DAC Chair and OSC Vice Chair. All SRAs to be reduced by 10%</p>	<p>Officers advised that the members' allowances scheme is not part of the constitutional review so this would be ruled out of order.</p>
10.	<p>Eight scheduled meetings of council assembly a year</p> <p>Eight meetings of the council shall be scheduled to take place every year at the annual meeting.</p>	<p>No recommendation.</p> <p>Officers advised of budgetary issues if number of meetings was increased.</p>
11.	<p>Deputations</p> <p>Re-introduce deputation procedure applied prior to 2007.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p>

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12.	<p>Community Councils Consultation</p> <p>Reserve to community councils the right to be consulted, and the power to make representations, when officers exercising delegated powers propose to declare any community-type facility owned by the council as surplus to requirements.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p> <p>Officers advised that the executive would need to consider this proposal prior to council assembly as it would be a new area of responsibility for community councils and therefore form part of the policy framework.</p>
13.	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</p> <p>To organise scrutiny sub committees on five thematic areas, to be agreed at the first meeting of OSC.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p>
14.	<p>Co-opted Members</p> <p>Appointment of co-opted members by scrutiny - review of existing arrangements.</p>	<p>Further discussions to take place in individual groups.</p>