

Update for agenda item 11

Additional wording for Item 11 – Amendments to the Council’s Constitution

Budget Council – Roll Call

The Council’s Constitution requires the following: -

*Immediately after any vote is taken at the Council’s Budget Setting Meeting on any decision relating to the making of a calculation there will be recorded in the minutes of that meeting the names of those voting for or against the decision or who abstained from voting. **The voting will be recorded as a roll call.***

As councillors are aware from the Budget Council meeting earlier this week, we always do a roll call but having considered the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, there is no requirement to carry out a roll call – simply a recorded vote. The wording in the Regs is as follows: -

Immediately after any vote is taken at a budget decision meeting of an authority there must be recorded in the minutes of the proceedings of that meeting the names of the persons who cast a vote for the decision or against the decision or who abstained from voting.

To recommend to Council that the Constitution is amended to remove the need for a roll call and for the budget to be agreed by a recorded vote only, as required by the Regulations.