

# Taunton Deane Borough Council

## Executive - 1 December 2010

### New Executive Arrangements

#### Report of the Legal and Democratic Services Manager

(This matter is the responsibility of the Leader of the Council, Councillor John Williams)

#### Executive Summary

This report updates the Executive on the consultation process that was undertaken as approved by Full Council on the 5 October 2010 and recommends that Full Council adopts the Strong Leader and Cabinet model as proposed.

#### 1. Background

1.1. On the 5 October 2010 Full Council indicated that they would prefer to implement the Strong Leader and Cabinet model as the model that should be implemented following the next Local Government Elections on the 5 May 2011.

1.2. In addition Full Council also approved the consultation process as set out below:-

Date	Action
5 October 2010	Approval for procedure and consultation process
4 week consultation period	18 October – 19 November 2010
1 December 2010	Report to Executive with results of consultation process and recommendations on the two options
14 December 2010	Full Council resolution to adopt new arrangements
5 May 2011	Borough Council elections
9 May 2011	New executive arrangements to take effect.

1.3 The consultation took place and one letter was received which supported the proposed model.

#### 2. Legal comments

2.1 No further legal comments are relevant at this stage.

#### 3. Financial Comments

3.1 There are no financial implications in this report.

#### **4. Links to Corporate Aims**

4.1 There are no direct links to the Corporate Aims.

#### **5. Equalities Impact**

5.1 Robust governance arrangements reinforce the Council's commitment to its statutory and non-statutory equality and diversity obligations.

#### **6. Recommendation**

6.1 The Executive recommends to Full Council that it adopts the Strong Leader and Cabinet Model and approves the necessary amendments to the Council's Constitution.

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