#### PART A

Report to: Annual Council

Date of Meeting: 20 May 2015

**Report of:** Democratic Services Manager

**Title:** Executive Scheme of Delegation

#### 1. **SUMMARY**

The Mayor has approved the Executive Scheme of Delegation with two changes.

### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

To note that the Executive Scheme of Delegation approved by the Mayor.

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Report approved by: The Mayor

### 3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Cabinet on 9 March 2015 agreed to the setting up of a Property Investment Board. The purpose of the Board is to manage the Council's investment portfolio and to be 'fleet of foot' if required in order to acquire or dispose of property to enhance the portfolio. The Board recommended to the Mayor and the Mayor has agreed that in order to meet those objectives the level of delegation for property disposal and acquisition be raised. The new limits are therefore over £3,000,001 delegated to Cabinet. £1,000,001 to £3,000,000 Portfolio Holder for Property (who is chair of the Property Investment Board) up to £1,000,000 Head of Regeneration and Development and/or Section Head for Property.
- 3.2 The other change was to up date the Constitution following the departure of the Corporate Directors. Unfortunately one delegation that had been agreed in 2007 was not amended to reflect the loss of the Corporate Directors. The delegation is to be able to adopt markets

within the Borough Charter Market area as Charter Markets. This is now delegated to the Head of Regeneration and Development and/or Property Section Head.

3.3 The Executive Scheme of Delegation as amended has been incorporated into the Constitution and is now on the website.

### 4.0 **IMPLICATIONS**

### 4.1 Financial

The Director of Finance comments that there are no financial implications arising directly out of this report.

# 4.2 <u>Legal Issues</u> (Monitoring Officer)

The Head of Democracy & Governance comments that the Executive scheme of delegation is purely within the gift of the Mayor. The Mayor still retains the ability to take all Executive function decisions herself if required.

### **Appendices**

None

### **Background papers:**

No papers were used in the preparation of this report.

### File reference:

none