Constitution and Associated Documents – Proposed Changes

Section and Reference	Existing Text	Proposed amendment including revised text if appropriate
	2. Notices of Meeting	2. Notices of Meeting
Part 4.11 Public Access to	-	
Information Rules of	The Authority will give at least five clear	The Authority will give at least five clear working
Procedure	working days notice, or as soon as is	days notice, or as soon as is practicable, of any
	practicable, of any meeting by posting the	meeting by posting the details of the meeting will
Notices of Meeting	details of the meeting at Quadrant, The	be posted on North Tyneside Council's website
	Silverlink North, Cobalt Business Park.	(<u>www.northtyneside.gov.uk</u>). A notice posting
	Copies will also be posted at Customer	details of the meeting will also be displayed at
	Service Centres, Whitley Bay Customer First	
	Centre, North Shields Customer First Centre	Park. Meetings may however, in exceptional
	and Wallsend Customer First Centre.	circumstances, be held with less than five clear
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	3. Access to information before meetings.	
	The Authority will usually make copies of the	
	agenda and reports available to the public	
	for inspection at Quadrant, The Silverlink	3. Access to information before meetings. The
	North, Cobalt Business Park, at least five	Authority will usually make copies of the agenda
	clear working days before the meeting.	and reports available to the public for inspection
	Copies can also be inspected at the other	at Quadrant, The Silverlink North, Cobalt
	places listed above and on North Tyneside	Business Park, at least five clear working days

Council's website. North Tyneside Council Constitution Part 4.11 Public Access to Information Rules of Procedure Version 26: April 2023 189 If an item of business is subsequently added to the agenda, the revised agenda will be open to inspection from the time the item is added to the agenda. Where a meeting is held with less than five clear working days notice being given, copies of the agenda and reports will be available to public inspection from the time the meeting is convened.

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Reason for proposed change:

Reducing the need to display hard copy notices and agenda (saving resources) at all. Customer service buildings. The Local Government Act 1972 in relation to Council meetings requires the "posting" of a public notice "at some conspicuous place **or** places", and such other manner as the Authority thinks "desirable" for giving notice of the meeting. The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 relating to Cabinet meetings requires a notice of meeting to be "displayed at the offices of the relevant local authority" and on the Authority's website.

Implications of proposed change:

- Finance and other resource implications:
- Legal implications:

	Consultation/Engagement undertaken (internal and external):
	• Human Rights implications:
	 Equalities and Diversity implications: There are equality implications as due to their protected characteristics not everyone can access information via the website or travel to Quadrant to view the documents, the Authority would need to be able to make reasonable adjustments to enable access.
	Risk Management implications:
	Crime and Disorder implications:
	• Environment and Sustainability implications:
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