

# COUNCIL MEETING 20 July 2017

#### **REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

## **Sheena Ramsey, Chief Executive**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1. The purpose of this report is to determine whether it is appropriate to take action to effect changes to the Council's current electoral arrangements.
- 2. Council agreed a motion on 2 February 2016 to review electoral arrangements.
- 3. The review looked at changing to a 'whole council' scheme of elections and the option to reduce the number of Councillors. The review is detailed in Appendix 2 of the attached report.
- 4. The Cabinet has considered the facts and issues arising from the report including alternative options and took all relevant advice before formulating their recommendation.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

5. It is recommended that Council does not pursue a change to a whole council scheme of elections nor promote via a request to the Boundary Commission for England for an electoral review, or reduction in the number of councillors.