

# Risk, Audit and Governance Committee

27 November 2024

Agenda item number 12

## Review of Standing Orders for the regulation of Authority proceedings

Report by Senior Governance Officer

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### Summary

To consider the proposed revisions to the Authority's Standing Orders for the regulation of Authority proceedings and recommend their adoption by the Authority.

### Recommendation

To recommend the Broads Authority adopt the revised Standing Orders for the regulation of Authority proceedings.

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## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. At its meeting on 20 September, the Broads Authority received a [report](#) proposing revisions to the Authority's Standing Orders for the regulation of Authority proceedings ("Standing Orders").
- 1.2. In accordance with Standing Order 17, it was agreed that the proposed revisions stand adjourned without discussion to the next ordinary meeting of the Authority on 29 November.
- 1.3. This Committee's role includes general oversight of the Authority's governance arrangements. Therefore, it was considered appropriate to refer the proposed revisions for review at this meeting prior to consideration at the Authority meeting.
- 1.4. At the September Authority meeting, Members were invited to contact the Senior Governance Officer with any suggestions or comments on the proposed revisions and I can confirm that none were received. No further changes have been made to the Standing Orders since those originally proposed.
- 1.5. A copy of the proposed revisions was attached to the Broads Authority report, together with a "clean" version of the new Standing Orders and can be accessed using this [link](#).
- 1.6. It is suggested that the revised Standing Orders will come into effect from 1 January 2025.

## 2. Risk implications

- 2.1. The Authority and its decisions could be at risk of challenge, including judicial review, if its Standing Orders are not reviewed to ensure the conduct of Authority proceedings is in accordance with best practice and enables meetings to be conducted efficiently and effectively.

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