FC5. STANDING ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL

With reference to the minute of the meeting held on 14 March 2012 (Paragraph FC103 refers), there was submitted Report (circulated) dated 12 May 2012 by the Chief Governance Officer (a) proposing revisions to Standing Orders relating to meetings and the Scheme of Delegation which serve to update both documents and to create a single, consistent, document and (b) presenting the revised Standing Orders for approval.

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Councillor Black moved that "Council approves the Standing Orders as appended to the Report, subject to the following;

- (1) Council recognises that its decision making structure requires to be improved. Council accordingly asks the Chief Executive to lead a comprehensive review of decision making structures and to report to Council on her proposals, with final proposals to be presented to Council by the end of this year with a view to them commencing in January 2013;
- (2) the comprehensive review of decision making structures should consider the issue of expanding the number of representatives of the Council performing civic roles to include Baillies, and
- (3) the Chief Governance Officer to bring a report to the next meeting of Council with suggested amendments to the Standing Orders to enable substitutes to be named for scrutiny committee meetings.

AGREED the terms of the Motion.