

Appointment of Authorised Officers, Inspectors etc

Under Part 3 Section F1 paragraph 15 of the Constitution, Chief Officers have general powers to undertake various functions. Under paragraph 14, officers with delegated powers can authorise staff within their control to undertake the functions delegated to them.

In some instances legislation requires that staff carrying out functions which come within the delegations are appointed as “Authorised Officers” or “Inspectors” etc.

It is recommended that paragraphs 14 and 15 be amended so as to clarify that Chief Officers and other staff are appointed as “Authorised Officers”, “Inspectors” etc where necessary.

“14. Any officer with delegated power has power to authorise staff within his/her control to carry out powers delegated to him/her, subject to any conditions or provisos which are imposed. For the avoidance of doubt wherever an officer delegates a function under this paragraph, or any other paragraph of this Constitution, this power shall include the power to appoint the relevant officer as an “Authorised Officer” or an “Inspector” or such other title as may be required by legislation.”

“15. Each Chief officer shall have the following general powers, and for the avoidance of doubt each Chief Officer is hereby appointed as an “Authorised Officer” or an “Inspector” or any other relevant title where legislation requires such appointment in order to undertake the following functions: