MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL



CONSTITUTION

CONTENTS PAGE

- PART 1. <u>Summary and Explanation</u> (Pages 3 8)
- PART 2. Articles of the Constitution
 - a) Article 1 The Constitution (Pages 9 10)
 - b) Article 2 Members of the Council (Pages 11 16)
 - c) Article 3 The Local Community and the Council (Pages 17 18)
 - d) Article 4 The Council (Pages 19 20)
 - e) Article 5 Chairperson of the Council (Pages 21 22)
 - f) Article 6 Committees (Pages 23 24)
 - g) Article 7 Standards Arrangements (Pages 25 28)
 - h) Article 8 Community Consultation and Participation (Pages 29 30)
 - i) Article 9 Joint Arrangements (Pages 31 32)
 - j) Article 10 Employees (Pages 33 36)
 - k) Article 11 Decision Making (Pages 37 38)
 - l) <u>Article 12 Financial Management, Contracts and Legal Matters</u> (Pages 39 40)
 - m) Article 13 Review and Revision of the Constitution (Pages 41 42)
 - n) <u>Article 14 Suspension, Interpretation and Publication of the Constitution</u> (Pages 43 44)

PART 3. Responsibility and Functions (Pages 45 - 46)

- a) General Provisions relating to Council and Committees (Pages 47 50)
- b) <u>Council and Committee Terms of Reference</u> (Pages 51 92)
- c) <u>General Provisions relating to Delegation including "Proper Officer"</u> designations. (Pages 93 98)
- d) Scheme of Delegation to Officers (Pages 99 120)

PART 4. Rules of Procedure

- a) <u>Council and Committee Procedure Rules (Standing Orders)</u> (Pages 121 140)
- b) Access to Information Procedure Rules (Pages 141 146)
- c) Financial Regulations (Pages 147 206)
- d) <u>Contract Procedure Rules</u> (Pages 207 230)
- e) <u>Officer Employment and Disciplinary Procedure Rules</u> (Pages 231 234)

PART 5. Codes and Protocols (Pages 235 - 236)

- a) Members' Code of Conduct (Pages 237 252)
- b) Code of Good Practice and Guidance on the Conduct of Planning Matters (Pages 253 312)

PART 6. <u>Members of the Council, Wards, Polling District and Members of Committees and Sub-Committees</u>

- a) Members of the Council and their Wards
 - Councillors (alphabetical)
 - Councillors (by Ward)
- b) <u>Committee Structure</u> (Pages 313 314)
- c) Wards and Polling Districts (Pages 315 316)
- d) <u>Membership of Committees and Sub-Committees</u>
 - Committee Membership
 - Political Leadership of the Council

PART 7. Maldon District Council Management Structure (Pages 317 - 318)