

## **PART 2 – ARTICLES OF THE CONSTITUTION**

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#### **1. MEANINGS**

##### **(a) Policy Framework –**

The Council's policy framework means the following plans and strategies:

- The Corporate Plan;
- The Sustainable Community Strategy;
- Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Plan;
- Licensing Policy;
- Gambling Policy;
- Plans and strategies which together comprise the Local Development Framework / Development Plan (*Section 54 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990*);
- Development Plan Documents (*Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004*);
- The Local Development Scheme;
- Supplementary Planning Documents.

And such other plans and strategies that the Council may decide or that are required by law.

##### **(b) Budget**

The budget is a statement identifying the allocation of financial resources, including capital resources, to different services and projects and to contingency provisions and reserves. The Annual Budget setting process includes the determination of such allocations, decisions on prudential indicators and the setting of the Council Tax. It also includes a review of fees and charges.

#### **2. FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL**

2.1 The functions of the Council are set out in Part 3 of this Constitution.

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### **3. COUNCIL MEETINGS**

3.1 There are three types of Council meeting:

- (a) The Annual Meeting;
- (b) Ordinary Meetings;
- (c) Extraordinary Meetings.

and they will be conducted in accordance with Council Procedure Rules in Part 4 of this Constitution.

### **4. RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS**

4.1 The Council will maintain the tables and appendices in Part 3 of this Constitution setting out the responsibilities for the Council's functions as prescribed in the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000.