

ARTICLE 4 - THE COUNCIL

4.01 Meanings

- (a) **Policy Framework.** The policy framework means the following plans and strategies:

Plans and strategies which together comprise the Development Plan;
The plan and strategy which together comprise the Housing Investment Programme;
Licensing Policy
Council's Delivery Plan
Sustainable Community Strategy

- (b) **Budget.** The budget includes the allocation of financial resources to different services and projects, proposed contingency funds, the council tax base, setting the council tax and decisions relating to the control of the Council's borrowing requirement, the control of its capital expenditure and the setting of virement limits.

- (c) **Housing Land Transfer.** Housing Land Transfer means the approval or adoption of applications (whether in draft form or not) to the Secretary of State for approval of a programme of disposal of 500 or more properties to a person under the Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Act 1993 or to dispose of land used for residential purposes where approval is required under Sections 32 or 43 of the Housing Act 1985.

4.02 Functions of the Council

The functions and responsibilities of the Council are set out in Part 3 to this Constitution.

4.03 Council Meetings

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 the Council Procedure Rules in Part 4 of this Constitution.

4.04 Responsibility for Functions

The Council will maintain the tables in Part 3 of the Constitution setting out the responsibility of the Council's functions which are not the responsibility of the Cabinet.