

[The text recommended for amendment is on page 3 below at sub-paragraph (x). The text shown struck through is for deletion and the text shown in italics and underlined is for addition.]

## **PART TWO OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION - ARTICLES**

### **Article 4 - The Full Council**

#### **4.01 Meanings**

- (a) **Policy Framework.** These are the plans and strategies that Haringey Council has decided should be reserved to the full Council for approval:

**Overarching strategies:**

- (i) Community Strategy;
- (ii) Such other strategies that the full Council is required to adopt as a matter of law.

**Major service plans:**

- (i) Housing Strategy ;
- (ii) Unitary Development Plan;
- (iii) Single Education Plan;
- (iv) Strategy for Children and Young People;
- (v) Local Transport Plan;
- (vi) Statement of Licensing Policy
- (vii) Statement of Gambling Policy
- (viii) Such other service plans that the full Council is required to adopt as a matter of law

**Plans required from partnerships of which the authority is a member:**

- (i) Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership/Drug Action Team Strategy
- (ii) Connexions Business Plan

Such other plans and strategies that Haringey Council decides should be reserved for the full Council for approval and adopted by it.

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

the control of its capital expenditure and the setting of virement limits. The determination of the Council Tax Base is delegated to the Chief Finance Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Cabinet Advisory Board.

- (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 full Council

Only the Council will exercise the following functions:

- (a) Adopting and changing the Constitution;
- (b) Approving or adopting the policy framework as set out in the appropriate schedule above;
- (c) Approving the budget and levying Council Tax;
- (d) Determining the borrowing limits for the authority for each financial year and the proportions of borrowing that are to be set at variable rates;
- (e) Approving any application to the Secretary of State in respect of any Housing Land Transfer as set out in Article 6.01 (c) above;
- (f) Subject to the urgency procedure contained in the Access to Information Procedure Rules in Part 4 of this Constitution, making decisions about any matter in the discharge of an Cabinet function which is covered by the policy framework or the budget where the decision maker is minded to make it in a manner which would be contrary to the policy framework or contrary to/or not wholly in accordance with the budget;
- (g) Appointing the Leader and Members of the Cabinet;
- (h) Agreeing and/or amending the terms of reference for committees, deciding on their composition and making appointments to them and delegating functions to them from time to time as may be appropriate;
- (i) Agreeing recommendations arising from Scrutiny Reviews of non-executive functions;
- (j) Deciding on recommendations arising from Scrutiny Reviews not accepted by the Cabinet and referred by the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
- (k) Agreeing and/or amending the Scheme of Delegations to Officers;
- (l) Appointing representatives to outside bodies unless the appointment is a Cabinet function or has been delegated by the Council;

- (m) Adopting and amending the Members' Allowances Scheme;
- (n) Changing the name of the area, conferring the title of honorary alderman or freedom of the borough and establishing any new Civic Link;
- (o) Confirming the appointment or dismissal of the Head of Paid Service;
- (p) Making, amending, revoking, re-enacting or adopting bylaws and promoting or opposing the making of local legislation or personal Bills including the adoption of any legislation where the Council has a discretion;
- (q) All local choice functions set out in Part 3 of this Constitution which the Council decides should be undertaken by itself rather than the Cabinet, or any Committee, Sub-Committee or officer;
- (r) Entering into, or confirming existing, joint arrangements with other local authorities;
- (s) Adopting the Members' Code of Conduct;
- (t) Approving Pilot Schemes for Local Elections;
- (u) Resolving not to issue any casino premises licences in the next three years;
- (v) Adopting Standing Orders for the Council and Standing Orders as to Contracts;
- (w) Making any decisions in respect of non-Executive functions which have not been expressly delegated elsewhere;
- (x) All matters that must be reserved to Council under the ~~Finance Procedure Rules~~ *Financial Regulations including the adoption and amendment of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and the consideration of annual, mid-year monitoring reports and an outturn report after the close of the year on treasury management policies and practices*; and
- (y) All other matters that, by law, must be reserved to Council.

#### 4.03 Council meetings

There are three types of Council meetings:

- (a) The Annual meeting;
- (b) Ordinary meetings;
- (c) Extraordinary meetings.

They will be conducted in accordance with the Standing Orders (Council Procedure Rules) in Part 4 of this Constitution. Council meetings will be chaired by the Mayor if he/she is present. If the Mayor is not present, Council will select another Councillor to take the Chair. The Deputy Mayor does not automatically chair the meeting in the Mayor's absence. The Council may select the Deputy Mayor if it so wishes.