

### ARTICLES 20.02 & 20.03 OLD CONSTITUTION

#### 20.02 Interpretation

The ruling of the Chair of Council as to the construction or application of this Constitution or as to any proceedings of the Council shall not be challenged at any meeting of the Council. Such interpretation will have regard to the purposes of this Constitution contained in Article 1.

#### 20.03 Publication

- (a) The Chief Officer, Governance will ensure that printed copies are available for inspection at Council offices, libraries and other appropriate locations, and can be purchased by members of the local press and the public on payment of a reasonable fee.
- (b) The Chief Officer, Governance will ensure that the summary of the Constitution is made widely available within the area and is updated as necessary.

### MODEL WELSH CONSTITUTION:-

#### 2.3 Interpretation of the Constitution

- 2.3.1 We have tried to make the Constitution as clear and as easy to understand as possible. Inevitably, people will have different views about what certain passages mean.
- 2.3.2 During meetings, the person chairing or presiding at the meeting interpret the relevant procedure rules and their ruling is final.
- 2.3.3 In all other situations, the Monitoring Officer will determine the interpretation and application of the Constitution, including the procedure rules

#### 2.8 Publication

- 2.8.1 The Monitoring Officer will ensure that copies of this Constitution are available for inspection at Council offices and on the Council's website.

- 2.8.2 The Monitoring Officer will provide a link to a copy of this Constitution to each Member of the Council upon delivery to him/her of that individual's declaration of acceptance of office on the Member first being elected to the Council and thereafter ensure that an up to date version is available for inspection and published on the Council's website.
- 2.8.3 The Monitoring Officer will ensure that the Constitution is updated as necessary in accordance with paragraph

**Recommendation:** To use paragraphs 2.3 and 2.8