

Article 14 - Suspension, Interpretation and Publication of the Constitution

14.01 Suspension of the Constitution

The Articles of this Constitution may not be suspended. The Rules in Part 4 may be suspended by the Council or Committees to the extent permitted within those Rules and the law.

14.02 Interpretation

Council: The ruling of the Mayor as to the construction or application of this Constitution or as to any proceedings of the Council shall not be challenged at the meeting at which the ruling was given. Any such interpretation will have regard to the principles and purposes of this Constitution contained in Article 1.

Committees or Other Bodies of the Council: The ruling of the Chairman of a Committee or other body as to the construction or application of this Constitution shall not be challenged at any meeting of the Committees or other body of the Council. In making any ruling the Chairman will be guided by the principles and purposes of this Constitution set out in Article 1.

14.03 Publication

- (a) The Monitoring Officer will give an electronic link to the Constitution to each Member of the Council upon delivery to her of that individual's declaration of acceptance of office on the Member first being elected to the Council. Updates to the Constitution will be provided in electronic format.
- (b) The Monitoring Officer will ensure that copies are available for inspection at Council offices and on its website, and can be purchased by members of the local press and the public on payment of a reasonable fee.
- (c) The Monitoring Officer will ensure that the summary of the Constitution is made widely available and updated as necessary.