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#### **15.1 Suspension of the Constitution**

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

#### **15.2 Interpretation**

- a. Except as provided below, the ruling of the Monitoring Officer as to the interpretation of this Constitution will be final.
- b. In relation to Proceedings of Full Council, the ruling of the Mayor (or other person presiding) as to the construction and application of the Constitution shall not be challenged at any meeting.

#### **15.3 Publication**

The Monitoring Officer will:

- a. provide access to the Constitution to each member of the authority upon delivery to him or her of that person's declaration of acceptance of office as the member first being elected to the Council;
- b. ensure that copies of the Constitution are available for inspection at the Council's Civic Centre offices and will be made available on the Council's website and can be purchased by members of the local press and the public on payment of a reasonable fee.
- c. will ensure that the Constitution is made available on the Council's website.