



THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION – A SUMMARY EXPLANATION

The purpose of this Constitution is to set out with clarity for the benefit of Councillors, officers, members of the public and anybody who may have dealings with the Council:-

- the structure of the Council
- who has responsibility for making decisions on behalf of the Council
- arrangements which the Council has for review and scrutiny decisions made by it
- the processes and procedures to be followed in making and/or scrutinising and reviewing decisions of the Council
- the Protocols which govern the conduct of Councillors and officers
- the rights of citizens in relation to the Council

In fulfilling those aims the Constitution will support:-

- the Council in providing a clear leadership to the community of Bracknell Forest, in partnership with its citizens, businesses, the voluntary sector and other organisations
- the active involvement of citizens in the process of the Council decision-making
- Councillors in representing their constituents effectively
- the efficient and effective taking of decisions
- the holding of decision-makers to public account

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