## **Article 9 - Area Committees and Forums**

- **9.01** The Council recognises that is has the power to appoint Area Committees and Forums, but at the present time chooses not to establish such bodies. In deciding whether to do so in the future, the Council will consider the effectiveness of such bodies in the context of best value and the provision of more efficient service delivery, and more transparent and accountable decision-making.
- **9.02** In establishing Area Committees or Forums, the Council would ensure that the Terms of Reference of the Committees' functions and the geographical areas were clear and concise. The meetings and the conduct of the Members of the Area Committees would be governed by this Constitution, especially with regard to conflict of interest.