

Part 2 Articles of the constitution

ARTICLE 4 - The Full Council

4.1 Meanings

- (a) Policy Framework The policy framework means the following plans and strategies together with any further plans and strategies which the Council expressly resolves should form part of the policy framework:
- Council Strategic Plan and delivery plan
 - Strategic Plan Annual Report
 - Lincoln Growth Strategy
 - Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy
 - Licensing Authority Policy Statement
 - Local Development Framework
 - ICT/Transformation Strategy
 - Workforce Development Strategy
 - Equality Objectives
- (b) Financial Framework The Financial Framework means the following plans and strategies:-
- Medium Term Financial Strategy
 - Capital Strategy
 - Asset Management Plan
 - Treasury Management Strategy

The setting of the budget includes the allocation of financial resources to different services, projects, and contingency funds, calculating the council tax base, setting the council tax, **setting the housing rent levels** and decisions relating to the control of the Council's borrowing requirements, the control of its capital expenditure, and the setting of virement limits.

Part 3 responsibilities for functions

19	To write off irrecoverable amounts below £5000 in respect of outstanding Council Tax, Business Rates, the Business Improvement District Levy, Sundry Debtors, Housing Benefit Overpayments , Current Rent and Former Tenants Arrears for any of the following reasons:- <ol style="list-style-type: none">a) bankruptcy, liquidation or insolvencyb) whereabouts of the debtor unknownc) the debtor has deceased and there are no funds available to pay the outstanding debtd) debts are out of timee) small balances which are uneconomic to collect
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25 To dispose of land provided that:

- (a) The relevant land has been declared surplus to the Council's requirements **by the Executive or a sub committee thereof**
- (b) the disposal is certified by a Fellow or Associate of the R.I.C.S. as being for the best consideration
- (c) the disposal is carried out in accordance with the requirements of t Procedure Rules

33	To negotiate terms to take a lease or licence or to acquire the freehold of land or premises where a service need has been identified and budgetary provision made.	Strategic Property Manager
34	To negotiate terms to acquire the freehold of land or premises where Executive approval has been sought.	Strategic Property Manager

1.15 to approve fees and charges for any service item for which no and charge has been fixed by the Council