

Article 7 – The Executive (Cabinet)

7.01 Roles

The Cabinet will carry out all of the Local Authority's functions which are not the responsibility of any other part of the Local Authority, whether by law or under this Constitution.

7.02 Form and Composition

The Cabinet will consist of the Leader together with up to 7 other Councillors appointed to the Cabinet by the Leader one of whom shall be designated 'Deputy Leader.'

7.03 Leader

The Leader will be a Councillor elected to the position of Leader by the Council. The Leader will hold office until:

- a) he/she resigns from the office; or
- b) he/she is no longer a Councillor; or
- c) six months absence from Council duties has occurred where such absence is not approved by the Council for the purpose of section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972; or
- d) he/she is removed from office by resolution of the Council; or
- e) the date of the Annual Council Meeting immediately following the cycle of all out elections or the first Council meeting following a change in political control of the Council.

7.04 Other Portfolio Holders

Other Portfolio Holders shall hold office until:

- a) the annual meeting of the Council following their appointment; or
- b) they resign from office; or
- c) they are no longer Councillors; or
- d) they are removed from office by the Leader who must give written notice of any removal to the Chief Executive. The removal will take effect two working days after receipt of the notice by the Chief Executive.

7.05 Proceedings of the Cabinet

Proceedings of the Cabinet shall take place in accordance with the Cabinet Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.

7.06 Responsibility for functions

The Leader will maintain a list in Part 3 of this Constitution setting out which individual Members of the Cabinet (if any), officers or joint arrangements are responsible for the exercise of particular executive functions.

7.07 Description of Executive Arrangements

Those elements of the Constitution which constitute Executive Arrangements are contained in Schedule 3.