

Article 7 – The Executive

7.01 Role

The Executive 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 Executive will consist of the Executive Leader together with 8 Councillors appointed to the Executive by the Council.

NB: Assistant Cabinet Members have been appointed to support the relevant Cabinet Member(s) but **do not have any Executive or decision-making authority.**

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 suspended from being a Councillor under Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 (although he/she may resume office at the end of the period of suspension); or
- (c) he/she is no longer a Councillor; or
- (d) he/she is removed from office by resolution of the Council, on 5 working days notice of motion signed by 20% of the total number of Councillors and delivered to the Proper Officer.

7.04 Other Cabinet Members

Other Cabinet Members shall hold office until:

- (a) they resign from office; or
- (b) they are suspended from being Councillors under Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 (although they may resume office at the end of the period of suspension); or
- (c) they are no longer Councillors; or
- (d) they are removed from office, either individually or collectively, by resolution of the Council, *either* on 5 working days notice of motion signed by 20% of the total number of Councillors and delivered to the Proper Officer *or* having been suspended by the Leader in the event that they have brought the Council into disrepute or are likely to do so (in which event the Leader will notify the Head of Paid Service in writing of his/her action for report to the next meeting of the Council).

7.05 Proceedings of the Executive

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

7.06 Responsibility for functions

The Head of Paid Service on behalf of the Leader will maintain a list in Part 3 of this Constitution setting out the allocation of responsibility for the exercise of particular Executive functions to individual members of the Executive, Committees of the Executive, officers or joint arrangements (in accordance with Section 15(2) of the Local Government Act 2000).