

3.6 The Executive

3.6.1 Membership: The Executive consists of the Council's Leader, a Deputy Leader, together with up to eight other Councillors. The Leader is appointed by the Council. The Deputy Leader and up to eight Executive Members are appointed to the Executive by the Leader.

3.6.2 Areas of Work: The Role of the Executive is to carry out all of the Council's functions which are not the responsibility of any other part of the Council, whether by law or under this Constitution.

3.6.3 The Leader: The Leader of the Council is the Chair of the Executive. Unless the law or circumstances direct otherwise, the Leader is elected to the position of Leader by the Council for a period of four years at the annual meeting immediately following the local government elections. The Leader will hold office until:

- (a) they resign from the office; or
- (b) they are suspended from being a councillor (although they may resume office at the end of the period of suspension); or
- (c) they are no longer a councillor; or
- (d) they are removed from office by resolution of the Council.

3.6.4 Upon their election as Leader of the Council, the Leader will recommend the appointment of a Deputy Leader of the Council and the Executive Members. The Deputy Leader and Executive Members shall hold office until:

- (a) they resign from office; or
- (b) they are suspended from being councillors (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 the Executive, either individually or collectively by the Leader of the Council.

3.6.5 The Leader can determine that functions discharged to the Executive by law may be arranged to be discharged by the Leader themselves, the Executive Committee, an individual Executive Member, a Committee of the Executive, an Area Committee or an Officer of the Council.

3.6.6 Executive Member Remits: The areas of responsibility of each Member of the Executive is determined solely by the Leader who may vary such during their term of office as they consider appropriate. Such Members will exercise regular budget monitoring of the resources allocated by the Council for those purposes, monitor performance, strive to deliver the Council's Corporate Objectives, seek to achieve best value in the services for which they are responsible and have regard to the Council's other policies and strategic objectives.

3.6.7 Executive Decisions: The Leader, after consultation with the other Members of the Executive and the Managing Director, will table at every meeting of the Executive a list of what they consider are key decisions and other decisions as part of the Executive Forward Plan. Procedural rules relating to the Executive can be found in Section 4 of the Constitution.

