

Article 7 – The Cabinet

7.1 **Role and Functions**

The Cabinet will 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 including the functions set out in Part 3.

7.2 **Membership**

- (i) The Cabinet will consist of the Cabinet Leader together with up to 8 Councillors appointed to the Cabinet by the Council.
- (ii) In the event that a Cabinet Member ceases to hold office or becomes disabled from performing his or her duties, the Leader will have power to make a temporary appointment effective until the Council appoints a replacement.

7.3 **Leader**

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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, or by the Leader if they become disabled from performing their duties.

7.5 **Proceedings of the Cabinet**

Proceedings of the Cabinet shall be conducted in accordance with the Council, Procedure Rules, so far as applicable, and with Additional Cabinet Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.

7.6 **Responsibility for functions**

Part 3 of this Constitution sets out

- (i) which individual Members of the Cabinet, Sub-Committees of the Cabinet, Area Committees, Officers or Joint Arrangements are responsible for the exercise of particular executive functions.
- (ii) all local choice functions which the Council decides should be undertaken by the Cabinet as executive functions, rather than by itself.

7.7 **Cabinet Sub-Committees**

- (i) The Cabinet appoints the following Sub-Committees of the Cabinet with the roles and functions set out below.
- (ii) The Cabinet (Grants & Relief) Sub-Committee

- Role and Functions - the determination of all grant and relief applications other than those delegated to officers under the Scheme of Delegation to Officers set out in Part 3 (Schedule 3) of this Constitution.
- Membership - a minimum of 2 Cabinet Members