

Cabinet Member Role

The Cabinet Member has the following key roles:

1. To assume responsibility for a portfolio of services and functions of the Council delegated to the Leader.
2. Through the Cabinet, to contribute to the development and implementation of the Council's policies, budget, strategies and service delivery and to take the lead as necessary at Cabinet meetings on items within the portfolio.
3. Where permitted in the scheme of delegation and the Council's Constitution, to take decisions on specific issues within the portfolio.
4. Working within their portfolio, a Cabinet Member will:
 - act as spokesperson inside and outside the Council;
 - liaise with business unit heads and service managers;
 - ensure that he/she has a clear understanding and knowledge of the portfolio;
 - ensure that appropriate methods of consultation and communication methods are in place;
5. To be accountable to the Scrutiny Committee, the Council and the local community for the portfolio.