

13. Cabinet

All functions of the council that are not reserved by law or by local choice as Non-Executive (see Part 3 Section 10 above), are Executive functions. Except where the law otherwise provides, it is at the Leader's discretion to determine how decision-making in relation to Executive functions will be exercised. The Leader may discharge any Executive functions himself or may arrange for the discharge of those functions by the Cabinet as a whole, by one or more other Cabinet members, by a committee of the Cabinet, or by an officer.

The Cabinet undertakes all Executive functions (except those delegated under arrangements described in Part 3 Section 18), including:

- (a) proposing plans and strategies, including the overall Budget, the Policy Framework, changes to the Constitution and arrangements for the good governance of the authority, to Full Council to approve and adopt
- (b) publishing in the Forward Plan all decisions by Cabinet, individual Cabinet members and Key Decisions made by officers
- (c) establishing committees to discharge specific Executive functions, or establishing working groups or panels to review or advise on specific issues
- (d) representing the council locally, nationally and internationally
- (e) attending meetings of the Scrutiny committees and any Task and Finish Groups as required and when required to do so
- (f) agreeing the acquisition and disposal of property and the management of the council's land holdings (other than Housing Land Transfers)
- (g) exercising the powers and duties of the council in respect of leisure, libraries, museums, consumer protection and environmental health
- (h) exercising the powers of and duties of the council as the local education authority
- (i) exercising the powers and duties of the council's role as social services authority
- (j) acting as the highways, transportation and waste collection and waste disposal authority
- (k) acting as the fire authority⁴
- (l) agreeing protocols for consultation and relations with outside bodies
- (m) some members have specific statutory duties, such as the Lead Member for children's services, who has the duty to safeguard and promote the well-being of children on the Island

As a general rule, matters of corporate policy and high level strategic matters will be determined by the Cabinet collectively; strategic matters relating to particular Cabinet member portfolios will be determined by individual Cabinet members; and operational service matters will be determined by the Chief Executive (or relevant Director) in consultation with the Leader and/or relevant Cabinet Member, where appropriate. Where there is doubt, the Leader will be asked to decide.

Portfolios of Responsibility

Cabinet members have personal responsibility for decisions taken in relation to and discharging those Executive functions within their remit (portfolio of responsibility) as determined by the Leader.

⁴ Review once CFA established.

All Cabinet members have responsibility for taking commissioning and delivery decisions in relation to their portfolio within the existing Budget and Policy Framework. They may also take any other decision within their area of responsibility that is delegated to an officer but which the officer has determined to be a Key Decision or which following consultation with the individual Cabinet member it is decided would be better taken by the Cabinet member instead.

If a Cabinet member wishes to make a decision contrary to the advice of the relevant Director, they must refer the issue to the Cabinet for a decision.

If a Cabinet member considers that any decision they are being asked to take is likely to be particularly sensitive or controversial, they have the discretion to refer the decision to the Cabinet for consideration.

A description of the Cabinet functions that are exercisable by individual Cabinet members is set out below, stating the name of the councillor by whom each is exercisable

Cabinet Member	Portfolio Responsibilities
<p>Leader (with responsibility Transport and Infrastructure, Highways PFI and Transport Strategy, Strategic Oversight and External Partnerships)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic oversight • Integrated Care System (ICS) • County Deals and Devolution • Civic Affairs and Events • Communications and Design • Covid Recovery • Transformational change • Parking Services • Floating Bridge • Harbours • Concessionary fares • Subsidised bus services • Highways PFI contract • Highways Authority • Rights of Way
<p>Deputy Leader, Cabinet Member for Housing & Finance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Enabling & Delivery • Homelessness • Rough Sleeping • Housing related support • Housing Renewal & Enforcement • Finance • Audit • Treasury Management • Commercial Property Investments • Leasing • Business Intelligence • Property & Asset Management

<p>Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public health</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Care • Disabled Facilities Grant • Residential Care • Nursing Care • Home Care • Direct Payments • Day Care • Supported Living • Learning Disability Homes • Respite Care • Resettlement • Safeguarding • Social workers • Family Working • Healthy Lifestyles • Domestic Abuse • Early Help Services • Obesity • Sexual Health • Substance Misuse • 0-19 Services
<p>Cabinet Member for Children’s Services and Corporate Functions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption • Fostering • Disabled Children Support • Respite Care • Early Help • Care Leavers • Safeguarding • Short Breaks • Youth Service • Special Educational Needs • Alternative Education • Early Years Development • School Improvement • Schools • School Asset Management • Home to School Transport • Youth Council and Youth MP • HR • Elections • Democratic Services • Legal Services • Procurement and Contract Management • Workforce - Learning and Development • Benefits and Grants • Business Centre

<p>Cabinet Member for Planning, Coastal Protection and Flooding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Island Planning Strategy • Local Development Framework • Planning Applications • Planning Appeals • Planning Enforcement • Trees & Landscape Protection • Building Control and Inspection • Town, Parish, & Community Council liaison • Coastal Management • Flood Policy and LLFA
<p>Cabinet Member for Economy, Regeneration, Culture and Leisure</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Development • Events • Regeneration Projects • Levelling Up, SLEP • Tourism • Leisure Centres • Sports Development • Events • Libraries • Theatres • Museums • Archaeology • Records Office
<p>Cabinet Member for Regulatory Services Community Protection and ICT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contingency and Emergency Planning • Bereavement Services • Coroner • Licensing • Environmental Health • Trading Standards • Community Safety • ICT Contracts • Applications Development • Digital Service • Software Development • Compliance and Infrastructure • Desktop Support • Telecommunications
<p>Cabinet Member for Climate Change, and Biosphere.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AONB • Countryside Management • Parks and Open Spaces • Biosphere • Climate Change and Environment • Playing fields & Sports Grounds (Public realm) • Allotment's (public realm) • Amenity Land Hire • Beach Huts • Waste Collection (Household, Schools, and Trade)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Waste Disposal• Forest Road Waste Recovery Park (MT plant and Energy from waste)• Household Waste• Recycling Centres• Commercial Waste Recycling Centres• Closed Landfill Sites• Littering and Fly tipping
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