

## **SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS FOR EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

The Executive Cabinet may exercise any Executive function.

A Portfolio holder may take any Executive decision which relates to his or her Portfolio.

The Executive Leader may take any decision which an individual Portfolio holder could take where the relevant Portfolio holder is unable or unwilling to take that decision.

The Executive Leader may alter the allocation of responsibilities within any Portfolio.

Chief Officers may take any Executive decision which relates to the services under their control except where the relevant Portfolio holder has instructed them not to make such a decision.

Chief Officers may nominate other Officers to take decisions which they have the power to take

### **PRINCIPLES OF DECISION MAKING**

All decisions must be made in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution and any policies of the Council.

The following principles shall be observed by decision makers exercising Executive functions:

- Key decisions should normally be made by the Cabinet as a whole.
- Decisions which significantly affect more than one Portfolio should normally be made by the Cabinet as a whole.
- Decisions of an operational or managerial nature should normally be made by Chief Officers.
- Decisions of a strategic nature should normally be made by Members.

No decision shall be open to legal challenge on the basis that these principles have been breached.