

## **EXECUTIVE MEMBERS: RESPONSIBILITIES AND PORTFOLIOS**

### **CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING**

#### **Scope of Portfolio**

The portfolio covers the following areas:

#### **1. Housing Functions**

- 1.1 All aspects of housing services, housing policy and the housing programme and any other new or unallocated housing and associated functions.
- 1.2 The overall housing strategy, policy and forward programme through its business plan, Housing Investment Programme Strategy and other policy documents.
- 1.3 The level of rents and charges for property and services within the Housing Revenue Account and for any other property and services within the General Fund.
- 1.4 The disposal of individual void properties within the agreed criteria.
- 1.5 Determining annual allocations in respect of the Housing Investment Programme including:
  - Conversion and modernisation of Council housing;
  - Registered Social Landlords (Assisted Development Programme);
  - Assistance for new build and rehabilitation schemes;
  - Home loans and improvement grants;
  - Housing stock, including acquisition and improvement;
  - Clearance areas and compulsory purchase of property;
  - Housing development programme; and
  - Renewal areas and area improvement.
- 1.6 The Council's powers and duties in relation to energy conservation, in public sector housing.
- 1.7 The development, monitoring and implementation of the Authority's responses to Government initiatives and programmes in respect of housing.
- 1.8 Appointing or nominating, and where appropriate, removing the Authority's representatives on appropriate organisations that fall within this portfolio.

#### **2. Areas in which power is shared with the Leader**

- 2.1 Social regeneration.
- 2.2 Exercising the Authority's powers and duties as a local housing authority, including new or unallocated housing and associated functions.

- 2.3 The Authority's powers and duties in relation to declaring renewal areas and clearance areas.
- 2.4 Housing land and property assets and, where appropriate, declaration of them as surplus to requirements.
- 2.5 The compulsory purchase of land using housing powers.

**3. Area in which power is shared with the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Residents Services.**

- 3.1 Responsibility to ensure that the estate wardens tackle anti social behaviour.

**Note:** for the purposes of estimate preparation, monitoring and control and staffing/industrial relations issues, this Cabinet Member is responsible for the following:

**In conjunction with the Leader**

Executive Director of Housing and Regeneration

**In conjunction with all Cabinet Members**

Chief Executive

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