

3. THE COUNCIL MEETING

3.1 Functions of the Council

The functions of the Full Council are set out in Part 2 of the Constitution.

3.2 Council Meetings

There are three types of Council meeting:

- (a) the Annual Meeting;
- (b) ordinary meetings;
- (c) extraordinary meetings.

These are conducted in accordance with the Council Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.

3.3 Chairman of the Council Meeting

The Mayor will be elected by the Council annually and will have the following responsibilities:

- 1. To uphold and promote the purposes of the Constitution, and to interpret the Constitution when necessary;
- 2. To preside over meetings of the Council so that its business can be carried out efficiently and with regard to the rights of Councillors and the interests of the community;
- 3. To ensure that the Council meeting is a forum for the debate of matters of concern to the local community and, at which, Members are able to hold the Executive to account;
- 4. To promote involvement in the Council's activities;
- 5. To attend such civic and ceremonial functions as the Council and he or she determines appropriate following consultation with the Leader.

3.4 Deputy Mayor

The Deputy Mayor will be appointed by the Council annually and will exercise the functions and duties of the Mayor in his or her absence.