

4.0 Responsibility for Executive Functions (Delegations)

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1. Local Act	Chief Officers and Associate Directors		To make any decision relating to the operation of any Local Act within their area of responsibility as set out in Article 12 otherwise than as set out in Reg. 2 of Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions & Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000
2. Appeals	Chief Officers and Associate Directors Chief Officers Portfolio Holder with responsibility for the relevant Service area		To determine any appeal against any decision made by or against the Council within their area of responsibility as set out in Article 12 unless they have been involved in the original determination Any appeal when the original determination was made by an Associate Director Any appeal when the original determination was made by Chief Officers
3. Contaminated Land	Director of Partnerships, Associate Director Housing and Wellbeing, Environmental Health Manager		To exercise all functions in undertaking the Council's duties relating to contaminated land
4. Control of Pollution and Air Quality Management	Director of Partnerships, Associate Director of Housing and		To exercise all functions in relation to the undertaking of all the Council's duties and powers relating to the control

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	Wellbeing, Environmental Health Manager		of pollution and the management of air quality
5. Service of an Abatement Notice in respect of a Statutory Nuisance and Inspection of Borough for Statutory Nuisances and Investigating complaints of Statutory Nuisance	Director of Partnerships, Associate Director Health and Wellbeing, Environmental Health Manager		To exercise all functions in relation to the undertaking of all the Council's duties and powers relating to Statutory Nuisances
6. Schedule 2 Noise & Statutory Nuisance Act	The Executive		To decide whether Sch. 2 of Noise & Statutory Nuisance Act 1993 should apply to the Borough of Watford
7. S330 T&CPA (1990) and S16 LG (MP) Act 1976	Chief Officers/ Associate Directors		To exercise all powers under S330 of T&CPA 1990 and S16 LG (MP) Act 1976 as necessary in connection with the operation of any functions within their areas of responsibility as set out in Article 12
8. Highway Works	Executive Director of Place, Associate Director Planning Infrastructure and Economy, Senior Transport &		To exercise all functions and powers in relation to the Council's highway, traffic, public transport and parking activities upon the public highway or in relation to public

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	<p data-bbox="427 286 722 488">Infrastructure Manager, Associate Director Environment, Parking Lead Officer</p> <p data-bbox="427 1211 708 1330">Portfolio Holder for Transport & Sustainability</p> <p data-bbox="427 1845 628 1877">The Executive</p>		<p data-bbox="959 286 1414 994">rights of way otherwise than as set out in Reg 2 of Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions & Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000 To exercise all powers and duties on highway, traffic, public transport and parking activities consequential to any Agreement with the County Council on such matters otherwise than as set out in Reg 2 of Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions & Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000</p> <p data-bbox="959 1173 1406 1292">To agree changes to the extent and operation of the CPZ and matchday TRO's</p> <p data-bbox="959 1426 1406 1756">To be responsible for the preparation and review of all highway, transportation and parking policies otherwise than as set out in Reg 2 of Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions & Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000</p> <p data-bbox="959 1807 1414 2002">To formulate policies in relation to the highway, transport and parking activities otherwise than as set out in Reg 2 of Schedule 1 to the Local</p>

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Street Naming & Numbering	<p>Portfolio Holder for Transport & Sustainability</p> <p>Associate Director of Customer & Corporate Services /Senior Geographic Information Officer</p> <p>Associate Director of Customer & Corporate Services in consultation with the Elected Mayor</p> <p>Associate Director of Customer and Corporate Services/ Senior Geographic Information Officer in Consultation with ward councillors and the Elected Mayor</p>		<p>Authorities (Functions & Responsibilities) (England) Regs 2000 for recommendation to Council.</p> <p>To consider and agree the prioritisation and funding of any traffic work programme within the Executive's remit.</p> <p>To consider and make recommendations to Hertfordshire County Council on any proposals by them for new highways, pedestrian crossings, cycle routes and traffic calming with the Council's area</p> <p>Approving the naming of new streets in accordance with the street naming policy.</p> <p>To approve the naming of a new street outside the street naming policy</p> <p>Approve an application to rename a street</p>

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<p>9. Appointments to other bodies</p> <p>Watford Health Campus LLP</p>	<p>The Mayor</p> <p>The Executive</p> <p>Partnership Board named representatives</p>		<p>To exercise all powers not expressly reserved to Council to appoint Members and/or officers to other bodies as deemed appropriate</p> <p>To be responsible for the taking all decisions on behalf of the Council as a member of the Watford Health Campus LLP not otherwise delegated to named representatives of the Partnership or Operations Boards.</p> <p>To approve the LLP's Business Plan and all final Zone Business Plan's and the allocation of money and land to the LLP.</p> <p>To be responsible for appointing Council representatives to the Partnership Board and Operations Board of the LLP in accordance with the terms of the Members Agreement.</p> <p>To act as the Council's named representatives on the LLP's Partnership Board and to exercise all delegated decisions as set out in Schedule 6 to the Members Agreement. To make regular reports on the business of the LLP to the Executive.</p>

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Watford Commercial Services Limited	<p>Operations Board named representative</p> <p>Executive</p>		<p>To act as the Council's named representatives on the LLP's Operations Board and to exercise all delegated decisions as set out in Schedule 6 to the Members Agreement.</p> <p>To be responsible for the taking all decisions on behalf of the Council as shareholder of Watford Commercial Services Limited not otherwise delegated to the Board of Directors</p> <p>To approve the Company's Business Plan and the allocation of money and land to the Company.</p> <p>To be responsible for appointing Council Directors to the Board of the Company in accordance with the terms of the Governance Agreement</p>
Hart Homes (Watford) Limited	<p>Directors</p> <p>Executive</p>		<p>To act as Directors of the Company and to exercise all delegated decisions as set out in the Governance Agreement</p> <p>To be responsible for the taking all decisions on behalf of the Council as a shareholder of Hart Homes (Watford) Limited not otherwise delegated to named Directors of the Company</p> <p>To approve the Company's business plan the allocation of money and land to the Company.</p> <p>To be responsible for</p>

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	Directors		<p>appointing Council Directors to the Company Board in accordance with the terms of the Shareholders Agreement.</p> <p>To act as Directors of the Company and to exercise all delegated decisions as set out in the Shareholder Agreement</p>
10.Resources	<p>Council</p> <p>The Executive</p> <p>Three Rivers District Council</p>		<p>To be responsible for setting the budget, General Fund and the Capital Programme, setting the Council Tax and setting virement limits</p> <p>For proposing the budget both revenue and capital for functions within the responsibility of the Executive. For setting all fees and charges to be levied within the Executive’s area of responsibility.</p> <p>To monitor the use of resources and approve (or recommend to Council) re-allocation during the year to enable the Council to perform its statutory functions, to agree virement limits in line with overall Council policy within which Chief Officers and Portfolio Holders can operate</p> <p>To provide a full accountancy, treasury management and fraud management service as set out in the Three Rivers</p>

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	<p>Hertfordshire Shared Internal Audit Service</p> <p>St Albans City and District Council</p> <p>Chief Officers and Associate Directors in Consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder and the Director of Finance</p> <p>Elected Mayor</p> <p>Chief Officers and Associate Directors</p>		<p>District Council and Watford Borough Council Shared Service Agreement.</p> <p>To provide a full internal audit service.</p> <p>To provide an in house legal service.</p> <p>To consider opportunities for obtaining external funding to support council projects and priorities, and where external funding is available to make application for it</p> <p>To agree to minor changes to the S106 Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) spending programme based on information in a quarterly monitoring report</p> <p>To be responsible for the day to day management of all material resources made available to them for the exercise of functions within their area of responsibility</p>

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	Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment		<p>To be accountable to the Executive for the resources used</p> <p>To be responsible for the Council's vehicle fleet.</p>
11. Land and Buildings	<p>The Executive</p> <p>Portfolio Holder for Property, Resources and Customer Service</p>		<p>To approve the acquisition or disposal of a freehold /leasehold land asset having a value in excess of £10,000,001</p> <p>To approve the acquisition or disposal of a Commercial & investment freehold/leasehold land assets having a value of £3,000,001 to £10,000,000 subject to a full written business case being signed off by Finance and Legal</p> <p>To approve the acquisition or disposal of a Operational freehold/leasehold land assets having a value of £3,000,001 to £10,000,000 subject to a full written business case being signed off by Finance and Legal</p> <p>To approve the entering into of any agreement between the Council and the voluntary sector where the Council would not receive a commercial return on its assets</p>

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	<p>Elected Mayor</p> <p>Executive Director of Place, Associate Director of Property and Asset Management / Property Team Manager (investment Assets)</p> <p>Executive Director of Place, Associate Director of Property and Asset Management</p> <p>Executive Director of Place, Associate Director of Property and Asset Management, Head of Corporate Asset Management (operational assets)</p>		<p>To approve expenditure on schemes from s106 monies</p> <p>To be responsible for approving the acquisition and disposal of any commercial & investment freehold/leasehold land up to the value of £3,000,000 subject to a full written business case being prepared and signed off by Finance and Legal and to be responsible for managing all the Council's commercial and investment land and property and taking any action necessary in relation to them, subject to complying with the overall policy and budgetary requirements of the Council</p> <p>To approve any expenditure up to £500,000 per Unit on refurbishment works as recommended by the council's advisers to any Unit at Croxley Business Park</p> <p>To be responsible for approving the acquisition and disposal of any operational freehold/leasehold up to the value of £3,000,000 subject to a full written business case being prepared and signed off by Finance and Legal and to be</p>

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	<p>In consultation with the Associate Director Housing and Wellbeing</p> <p>Executive Director of Place, Associate Director of Property and Asset Management, Head of Corporate Asset Management</p>		<p>responsible for managing all the Council's operational land and property and taking any action necessary in relation to them, subject to complying with the overall policy and budgetary requirements of the Council</p> <p>To be responsible for the disposal of or acquisition of any land and property used for housing tenants under the Housing Acts</p> <p>To approve any expenditure up to £500,000 per Unit on refurbishment works for operational assets</p>

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	<p data-bbox="427 367 711 488">Associate Director of Property and Asset Management</p> <p data-bbox="427 1003 719 1285">Executive Director of Place in consultation with Portfolio Holder for Property, Resources and Customer Service</p> <p data-bbox="427 1509 692 1751">Associate Director of Property in conjunction with Group Head of Democracy and Governance</p>		<p data-bbox="959 367 1410 568">To maintain both the list of assets of community value and the list of rejected nominations and undertake all necessary notifications.</p> <p data-bbox="959 622 1410 779">To decide on all initial nominations on whether or not to list an asset in accordance with the Legislation</p> <p data-bbox="959 1048 1410 1160">To determine any request for a review of a decision to place an asset on the list</p> <p data-bbox="959 1554 1353 1711">To handle all claims for compensation, including defending any claims in the First Tier Tribunal.</p>

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	<p>Chief Officers and Associate Directors</p> <p>Associate Director Property and Asset Management /Head of Corporate Asset Management/ Facilities Manager</p> <p>Chief Officers and Associate Directors</p>		<p>To be responsible for exercising all functions in relation to the management and use of land and buildings occupied by the Council’s workforce within their area of responsibility except the Town Hall complex</p> <p>To be responsible for exercising all functions in relation to the management and use of the Town Hall Complex</p> <p>To exercise powers and duties arising from the hazards of nature or in a civil emergency for the purpose of safeguarding life and the protection of property</p>
12. Housing Function	Director of Partnerships, Associate Director Housing and Wellbeing in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing & Wellbeing		<p>To approve specific criteria of any local letting schemes in the Allocations policy</p> <p>To approve a Choice Based Lettings Scheme</p> <p>To make minor changes to the</p>

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	<p data-bbox="427 454 719 656">Director of Partnerships / Associate Director Housing and Wellbeing</p> <p data-bbox="427 1845 708 1962">Portfolio Holder for Housing & Wellbeing</p>		<p data-bbox="959 284 1358 320">Housing Nominations Policy</p> <p data-bbox="959 454 1409 824">To be responsible for managing processes relating to the Councils duties under the Housing Acts. For the avoidance of doubt this includes allocations, determinations relating to homelessness, nominations to RSL's and any RTB disposals.</p> <p data-bbox="959 875 1409 1122">To be responsible for managing reviews, appeals or exceptional cases associated with housing related policies in line with legislation and stated council policy</p> <p data-bbox="959 1211 1398 1794">To exercise all the functions of the Council as Local Housing Authority in relation to the conditions of housing stock in the private sector and the regulating of houses otherwise than those owned and managed by the Council other than those functions specifically delegated to another Officer or specified to be delegated to the Executive acting either collectively or individually</p> <p data-bbox="959 1845 1414 1962">To agree Private Sector Housing Renewal Policies, including any amendments to existing Policy</p>

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	<p>The Executive</p> <p>Director of Partnerships /Associate Director Health and Wellbeing in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing & Wellbeing, and the relevant Ward Council</p> <p>Associate Director Property and Asset Management</p> <p>Director of Partnerships /Associate Director Housing and</p>		<p>Formulating all policy relating to the operation of the functions of the Local Housing Authority</p> <p>To approve the use of Housing Act powers by the Council to compulsorily acquire property</p> <p>To consider allocation of grants, loans or other financial contributions whether revenue or capital to RSL's, voluntary sector partners and other agencies in line with the Council's housing related strategies and policies</p> <p>To consider requests for relaxations of restrictive covenants by owner/occupiers/lessees of former housing stock</p> <p>To be responsible for managing on behalf of the Council contractors and operators of temporary accommodation and self contained properties in</p>

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	Wellbeing /Housing Supply Manager		accordance with the terms of their contract. To approve arrangements with partner agencies or contractors for the delivery of a range of housing functions within existing corporate budgets or grant allocations e.g. care and repair
13. Public Health Function (Executive)	Director of Partnerships /Associate Director Housing and Wellbeing/ Environmental Health Manager		<p>To exercise all the functions not stated to be Council functions in this constitution of an environmental or public health nature within the remit of the Council, which for the avoidance of doubt, includes the enforcement of the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 as may be amended from time to time, the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, , the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003 the Anti Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 and the Vehicle (Crimes) Act 2001 and all similar legislation that may from time to time be enacted whereby this Council is the enforcing authority.</p> <p>Such functions to include, but not be limited to, the authorising of officers for the purpose of enforcement and the issuing of fixed penalty notices, the issuing of all notices and initiating any legal proceedings necessary</p>

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	<p>Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment</p> <p>Executive Director of Place/Associate Director Property and Asset Management/Head of Corporate Asset Management/Facilities Manager</p> <p>Consultant in Communicable Disease Control. Director of or Consultant in Public Health or The Director of Public Health for Hertfordshire and any consultant in public health nominated by him.</p>		<p>To manage the contractor employed on behalf of the Council to operate the collection of refuse - domestic and trade, including recycling, and street cleansing, and the management of parks, pleasure grounds and open spaces, public conveniences and changing rooms in parks and open spaces and cemeteries in accordance with the terms of the contract.</p> <p>To exercise all functions in relation to the management of public conveniences not in Parks and Open Spaces</p> <p>To be the Proper Officer to exercise the functions of the Public Health (Control of Diseases) Act 1984, Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010 and National Assistance Act 1948 as amended by the National Assistance Act 1951</p>

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	<p>Director of Partnerships / Associate Director Housing and Wellbeing/Environmental Health Manager</p> <p>The Executive</p> <p>The Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhood Services</p>		<p>To authorise of officers for the purpose of enforcement and the issuing of fixed penalty notices, the issuing of all notices and initiating any legal proceedings necessary where the council is designated the enforcing authority under the Public Health (Control of Diseases) Act 1984, and any regulations made thereunder</p> <p>To formulate all policy relating to the exercise of Public Health functions not the responsibility of the Council</p> <p>To make any decisions regarding Watford's membership of and participation in the Herts Waste partnership and the Herts Waste Strategy</p>
14. Leisure & Community Functions	Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment		<p>To exercise all functions of the Council relating to the provision of arts, recreation, sport and entertainment and the operation of museums and the Colosseum.</p> <p>To exercise all the functions of the Council relating to community development, play, families, children and youth,</p>

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	<p data-bbox="427 369 718 656">Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community</p> <p data-bbox="427 1509 710 1626">Museum Curator/Collections Officer</p> <p data-bbox="427 1888 568 1921">Executive</p>		<p data-bbox="959 369 1410 533">To approve the Arts Council England Accreditation Forward plan and associated documents prior to submission</p> <p data-bbox="959 584 1406 741">To approve an annual museum temporary exhibition plan (this excludes hiring for arts exhibitions)</p> <p data-bbox="959 792 1406 949">Consider requests for loans to and from Watford Museum for items above a value of £1000 (Not school loan boxes)</p> <p data-bbox="959 1001 1382 1458">To approve the purchase of acquisitions to the Watford Museum Collection up to the value of £5,000 and disposals from the Watford Museum Collection up to the value of £5,000 as outlined in our Collections Development Policy' which describes the reasons and conditions for disposal.</p> <p data-bbox="959 1509 1398 1749">To consider requests for Loans to and from the Watford Museum Collection under the value of £1000 and under, and school loan boxes of whatever value.</p> <p data-bbox="959 1888 1366 2004">To approve the purchase of acquisitions to the Watford Museum Collection over the</p>

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	<p data-bbox="427 667 692 824">Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment</p> <p data-bbox="427 1088 715 1330">Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment in consultation with the Mayor</p> <p data-bbox="427 1509 715 1796">Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community</p>		<p data-bbox="959 286 1382 613">value of £5,000. disposals from the Watford Museum Collection over the value of £5,000 as outlined in our Collections Development Policy' which describes the reasons and conditions for disposal.</p> <p data-bbox="959 667 1394 869">To exercise all functions of the council relating to Voluntary sector grants (with the exception of those relating to housing already delegated)</p> <p data-bbox="959 1128 1394 1249">To approve all applications for grants within the Executive area of responsibility</p> <p data-bbox="959 1509 1394 1796">To decide on behalf of the Council whether to accept the recommendation of the West Herts Golf Club Joint Consultative Committee to increase the public green fees for any particular year.</p>

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	<p>The Executive</p> <p>Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment</p>		<p>Formulating all policy relating to the operation of the functions of the Council relating to community development, assistance to the voluntary sector, recreation, arts, sport, play, families, children, youth, museum, parks, pleasure grounds and open spaces</p> <p>To manage on behalf of the Council Contractors and Operators of Leisure Centres, and Community Centres in accordance with the terms of their contractual arrangements</p>
<p>15. Economic Development</p>	<p>Executive Director of Place/Associate Director Planning Infrastructure and Economy</p> <p>Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Environment</p> <p>The Executive</p>		<p>Exercising all the function of the Council in relation to Economic Development</p> <p>To adopt Markets within the area covered by the Market Charter as the Councils own Market subject to the Councils policy adopted on 5th November 2007.</p> <p>To formulate all policy in</p>

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	Council		<p>relation to the Economic Development functions of the Council</p> <p>To agree to set up a Business Improvement District</p>
<p>16. Local Development Framework</p> <p>a) Powers and duties relating to local development documents pursuant to S20-23, 25, 26 & 28 of the Planning & Compulsory Act 2004</p> <p>b) Power to agree to establish a joint committee to be, for the purposes of Part 2 of the 2004 Act a Local Planning Authority</p> <p>c) Power to agree to confer additional functions on a joint committee</p>	The Executive		<p>To agree documents to be submitted for Public Independent Examination subject to recommendation to Council, to comply with any direction imposed by the Secretary of State to withdraw, revoke, revise or adopt Local Development Documents.</p> <p>To determine all matters referred to in a) to d) subject to complying with the need to make any recommendations to Council as required by the Local Authorities (Functions & Responsibilities (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2005</p> <p>To agree the designation of a Conservation Area under the Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990.</p>

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<p>established under Part 2 of the 2004 Act</p> <p>d) Power to request the dissolution of a joint committee established under part 2 of the 2004 Act</p>	<p>Executive Director of Place / Associate Director of Planning Infrastructure and Economy</p> <p>Portfolio Holder for Strategic Partnerships and Planning</p> <p>The Executive</p> <p>Executive Director of Place</p> <p>Associate Director</p>		<p>To be responsible for the preparation of all Local Development Documents and their submission as necessary to Independent Public Examination, liaison with the Secretary of State and undertaking all necessary consultation</p> <p>To approve all character appraisals for conservation areas.</p> <p>To consider and comment upon the Regional Spatial Strategy, the Hertfordshire Minerals & Waste Development Framework(s), neighbouring authorities' development documents and other plans and strategies as they affect the Borough of Watford</p> <p>To approve spending on CIL Infrastructure Projects over £200,001</p> <p>To approve spending on CIL Projects over £100,001 - £200,000</p> <p>To approve spending on CIL</p>

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	<p>of Planning, Infrastructure and Economy</p> <p>Associate Director of Planning, Infrastructure and Economy</p>		<p>projects £100,000 and under</p> <p>To approve applications for NCIL and SCIL subject to the criteria set by the Executive</p>
<p>17. Council Tax and Income</p>	<p>Three Rivers District Council</p> <p>The Executive</p> <p>Director of Finance/Head of Revenues and Benefits / Revenues Manager</p>		<p>To administer all functions in relation to the collection of Council Tax and NNDR and be responsible for the collection of all income due to the Council with the exception of rents and charges for Council Housing as set out in the Three Rivers District Council and Watford Borough Council Shared Services Agreement.</p> <p>To recommend to Council the Watford Council Tax Reduction Scheme.</p> <p>To agree Council Tax Discounts</p> <p>To agree the write off of debts over the sum of £3001</p> <p>To set the Council's policy in relation to Council Tax and NNDR, and Income Collection</p> <p>To agree write off of debt below the sum of £3001</p>

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	Council		To agree the Watford Council Tax Reduction Scheme and all policies relating to Council Tax and NNDR where legislation requires Full Council approval
19. Building Control	Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Planning Infrastructure and Economy / Building Control Manager		To exercise all the Council's building control functions
20. Land Drainage	Executive Director of Place/Associate Director of Planning Infrastructure and Economy / Transport and Infrastructure Manager The Executive		To exercise all functions in relation to the Council's land drainage powers and duties including the power to enter into agreements to execute land drainage works and to be responsible for the preparation and review of land drainage policy To formulate policy in relation to land drainage within the remit of the Council
21. Licensing	The Executive Director of Partnerships /Associate Director of Housing and Wellbeing/Licensing		Setting the tariff for hackney carriage fares To exercise all powers relating to the Council's Licensing functions not otherwise reserved to the Council

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	Manager		
21. General	The Executive		<p>To form partnerships as appropriate with outside organisations to promote the social, economic or environmental well-being of the Borough</p> <p>Where the Council has entered into contracts with contractors who are exercising the functions of the Council on the Council's behalf and the terms of those contracts include the establishment of the Board made up of representatives of the Council and the Contractor to appoint Council representatives to those Boards and delegate to those representatives all necessary authority to make decisions in accordance with the terms of the relevant contract.</p> <p>To delegate as appropriate to outside bodies any functions of the Executive as the Executive sees fit</p> <p>To accept delegation of functions from outside bodies as is within the responsibility of the Executive as it sees fit</p> <p>To receive petitions from local residents on matters within its area of responsibility</p> <p>To comment on Government</p>

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	Relevant Portfolio Holder		Consultation, Papers, Bills and other Consultation that is likely to affect or impact on the functions within the Portfolio Holder's area of responsibility To agree any submission to any body for funding to support or enhance the performance by the Council of its functions within the Portfolio Holder's area of responsibility To receive and agree any work/service plans relating to any functions within the Portfolio Holder's area of responsibility where there is a statutory requirement for them to be agreed by Members

Any function specified in this scheme to be exercised by the Executive, Portfolio Holder or by an officer, can in the event of either a decision needing to be taken as a matter of urgency and/or the designated decision taker being unavailable be exercised by the Mayor, Chief Executive, another Chief Officer or Associate Director