

Item 13 - Cabinet responsibilities 2014/15

Description of portfolio	Name of portfolio holder
<p>1. Leader of the Council - overall responsibility for Council strategy, the corporate plan and the working smarter programme, communications and public relations, emergency planning, government relations and liaison with local MPs and West Midlands leaders. Association of Black Country Authorities and Black Country Joint Committee. Strategic and operational financial management, insurance, risk management, revenues and benefits, policy led budgeting. Financial regulations, audit, legal and democratic services; human resources. Shared services, including ICT and procurement; business improvement.</p>	<p>Councillor Bird</p>
<p>2. Deputy Leader and Regeneration and Transport - economic development, physical development, markets, property and asset management, Black Country Consortium, sub regional regeneration issues. Town and district centres. Planning policy and local development framework. Strategic housing role, housing partnerships, private sector housing, homelessness. Traffic and transportation, car parks, gateways and corridors, strategic transport and highways. Pollution control.</p>	<p>Councillor Andrew</p>
<p>3. Children's services - education services, schools meals commissioning, social services for children, safeguarding and promoting welfare of children, looked after children and corporate parenting, care leavers, interagency cooperation, involvement of children and young people, youth parliament, children's trust arrangements, youth offending services, youth service.</p>	<p>Councillor Arif</p>
<p>4. Community engagement and voluntary sector - neighbourhood management, community engagement and consultation, community associations, voluntary and community sectors.</p>	<p>Councillor I. Shires</p>

<p>5. Environment –waste strategy, refuse collection, recycling, street cleaning and the management of the Council’s vehicle fleet. Community safety, Safer Walsall Partnership, public protection.</p>	<p>Councillor Towe</p>
<p>6. Leisure and culture - parks, leisure and culture services including the New Art Gallery, libraries, adult learning, catering service, sports, museums and twinning. Cemeteries and crematoria.</p>	<p>Councillor Harris</p>
<p>7. Social care and health - care services for older people and people with learning disabilities, people with physical disabilities and people with mental health needs, health partnership, community meals, supporting people, protection for vulnerable adults. Public health and Chair of Health and Wellbeing Board.</p>	<p>Councillor McCracken</p>