

Article 11 - Joint Arrangements

1 Joint Arrangements

- a) The Council may establish joint arrangements with one or more Local Authorities and/or their executives to exercise functions that are not executive functions in any of the participating authorities, or to advise the Council. Such arrangements may involve the appointment of a Joint Committee with these other Local Authorities;
- b) The Cabinet may establish joint arrangements with one or more Local Authorities to exercise functions that are executive functions. Such arrangements may involve the appointment of Joint Committees with these other Local Authorities;
- c) The Cabinet may appoint Cabinet or non-Cabinet members to a Joint Committee and those members need not reflect the political composition of the Council;
- d) Details of any joint arrangements including any delegations to Joint Committees will be found in the Council's Scheme of Delegation in **Part 3** of this Constitution.

2 Arrangements to Promote Well Being

The Cabinet, in order to promote the economic, social or environmental well being of its area, may:

- a) Enter into arrangements or agreements with any person or body;
- b) Co-operate with, or facilitate or co-ordinate the activities of, any person or body; and
- c) Exercise on behalf of that person or body any functions of that person or body.

3 Corporate Joint Committees

- a) Any two or more principal councils may jointly make an application to the Welsh Ministers for arrangements to be made to establish a Corporate Joint Committee to exercise a function of those councils or the economic well-being function of those councils in relation to the principal areas of those councils.
- b) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations establish a body corporate (known as a Corporate Joint Committee) to exercise in relation to the principal areas specified in the regulations a function specified in the regulations.

On the 17 March 2021 Welsh Ministers made the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee Regulations 2021 which established the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee which included the City and County of Swansea Council.

4 **Access to Information**

The **Access to Information Rules in Part 4** of this Constitution apply;

5 **Delegation To and From Other Local Authorities**

- a) The Council may delegate non-executive functions to another Local Authority or, in certain circumstances, the executive of another Local Authority;
- b) The Cabinet may delegate executive functions to another Local Authority or the executive of another Local Authority in certain circumstances;
- c) The decision whether or not to accept such a delegation from another Local Authority shall be reserved to a Meeting of the Council.

6 **Contracting Out**

The Council and the Cabinet for executive functions may contract out to another body or organisation functions which may be exercised by an Officer and which are subject to an Order under Section 70 of the De-regulation and Contracting Out Act 1994, or under contracting arrangements where the contractor acts as the Council's agent under usual contracting principles, provided there is no delegation of the Council's discretionary decision making.