

## **ARTICLE 5 – THE MAYOR**

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 Members 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 public involvement in the Council's activities;
5. To act in a neutral manner on matters that affect the Council;
6. To attend such civic and ceremonial functions as the Council and he/she determines appropriate.