

Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Children and Families¹

Area of Responsibility

To have political responsibility for the leadership, strategy and effectiveness of children's services, working with local partners to meet the needs and improve the outcomes of all children and young people:

Specifically this incorporates:

- Strategically leading the local partnership of children's services providers.
- Effective arrangements for safeguarding
- Specific support for vulnerable children and young people, including the corporate parenting role.
- Ensuring fair access to services
- Promoting educational excellence.

To have overall political oversight within the Council for the following principal areas of activity:

- Learning and universal services (includes early years, schools and youth services)
- Safeguarding specialist and target services
- Commissioning and partnership support
- Youth Offending services

Cross-Cutting Champion Role: the delivery of the child friendly city initiative

Representing the Council on key inter-sector and inter authority partnerships.

¹ The Executive Member for Children's Services is the Lead Member for Children's Services appointed in accordance with the Section 19 of the Children Act 2004 and must therefore have responsibility for the functions conferred on or exercisable by the authority specified in S18(1)(a) and (b) of the Children Act 2004 and such other functions as the authority consider appropriate