## Lead Councillors

# Terms of Reference

Approved: XXXXX

### PURPOSE OF LEAD COUNCILLORS

#### **GENERAL**

- 1. The Parish Council will appoint lead councillors as required.
- 2. The Terms of Reference should be read in conjunction with the Parish Council's adopted Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

#### **POWERS**

**Standing Orders** 

- 30 a The Parish Council may appoint Lead Councillors and specify the functions for which they are responsible
- 30 b Lead Councillors do not have powers to make financial commitments or take decisions independently of the Council. Their responsibilities are to:
  - i. Lead focused initiatives related to their nominated area of interest;
  - ii. Report activities to the full Council and present resolutions for approval as required;
  - iii. Manage activities agreed by the Council;
  - iv. Ensure transactions are co-ordinated through the Clerk.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. To undertake research on behalf of the council.
- 2. To represent the council on agreed bodies: to give reports on behalf of the council, and receive information on behalf of the council. Any view given must reflect the position of the council.
- 3. To identify priorities and timescales for actions for approval by full council.
- 4. To create draft documents and reports for approval by full council.
- 5. To make recommendations to full council.
- 6. To carry out activities and actions approved by full council in conjunction with the Clerk.
- 7. To support the Clerk in their duties linked to the lead councillors' specific functions.

## REPORTING PROCEDURE

- 1. Reports and recommendations to be presented at full council meetings.
- 2. Draft documents to be presented for comment and approval at full council meetings.