

Appendix 1

Summary of main differences between current executive model and the two options available under the LG & PlIH Act 2007

		Options available under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007	
	Current 'strong Leader' and Cabinet model	New 'strong Leader' and Cabinet model	Elected Mayor
Appointment and term of office	Leader appointed by full council with no fixed term	Leader appointed by full council for a 4 year term (or until the expiry of the leader's term of office as a councillor)	Elected directly by the electorate for a 4 year term
Removal	The Council may, by resolution, remove the Leader from the office	Councils may include procedures which would allow the removal of the leader from office during the 4 year period by resolution of the council: It is suggested that this is by voting at full council, which requires only a simple majority (Section 44C of the Act).	Cannot be removed during his/her term of office
Executive Functions	Leader agrees the delegation of executive functions	All executive functions would be vested in the Leader who can then delegate.	All executive functions would be vested in the Mayor who can then delegate
Appointment of Cabinet	Leader appoints the Cabinet Members and notifies Council. Leader allocates Portfolio Holder responsibilities	Council appoints Leader who then appoints his/her Cabinet Members and allocates responsibility.	Mayor appoints his/her Cabinet Members and allocates responsibility
Deputy	No legal requirement to have a Deputy Leader	Legal requirement to have a Deputy Leader.	N/A