

Hanham Abbots

PARISH COUNCIL

Temporary Scheme of Delegation

Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides:

- That a Council may delegate its powers (except those incapable of delegation) to a committee or an officer.
- A Committee may delegate its powers to an officer.

Hanham Abbots Parish Council has extended the delegation of Council decisions to the Clerk (Proper Officer), in consultation with the Chairman of the Council and Chairman of Resources Committee. This delegation will enable the Council to fulfil its responsibilities to its residents.

Any delegation to the Proper Officer shall be exercised in compliance with the Council's Standing Orders, any other policies or conditions imposed by the Council and within the law.

In an emergency the Proper Officer is empowered to carry out any function of the Council

Where the Proper Officer is contemplating any action under delegated powers, which is likely to have a significant impact in a particular area, they should also consult the Members, and must ensure that they obtain appropriate legal, financial and other specialist advice before action is taken.

This empowerment does not affect the delegations already in place via Standing Orders or Financial regulations.

Full Council matters

The following items are reserved for Full Council decision only and cannot be delegated to an Officer.

- To appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman in May each year
- To sign off the Governance Statement by 30 June each year
- To set the Precept
- To make byelaws
- To borrow money
- To consider any matter required by law to be considered by Full Council

This Temporary Scheme of Delegation was agreed and adopted on 4th May 2021 and will cease on 1st September 2021.