

COUNCIL

A suggested role for Council could be:

- **appointment of Committees in terms of Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973**
- **determination, amendment or revocation of a Scheme of Delegation for the discharge of Council functions by Committees, Sub-Committees or Officers and, in particular, to fix the constitution, functions and powers of Committees and Sub-Committees and to amend the same from time to time as Council may decide**
- **making, amendment or revocation of Standing Orders (including Standing Orders for the making of contracts)**
- making, amendment or revocation of Financial Regulations
- **appointment of the Leader of the Council, any deputy Leader and the Conveners and Deputy Conveners of Committees**
- **appointment of the Provost and Deputy Provost**
- **setting of the council tax**
- setting of the Council's annual revenue and capital budgets
- **determination of all planning applications which fall within Section 38A(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997**
- **promotion or opposition to private legislation**
- **establishment of any joint committee or joint board to carry out any of the functions of the Council**
- **consideration of reports by the head of Paid Service or the Monitoring Officer in terms of sections 4 and 5 respectively of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989**
- **consideration of the annual accounts of the Council as made up at the end of the financial year and audited on behalf of the Accounts Commission together with the auditors' report on the accounts**
- setting of the Council's Prudential Indicators
- appointment of members to (a) committees, (b) joint committees or boards, (c) any body where the Council is obliged or entitled to make an appointment under statutory authority and (d) any other appointment by the Council of a member to represent the Council on any body
- approval of the level of council house rents
- approval of the Community Plan for Falkirk
- approval of the Falkirk Council Local Development Plan
- approval of any new policies or changes to policies that may have a significant impact on the Council's strategic objectives and corporate policies or its resources
- setting the remuneration framework for members
- dealing with all matters relating to the conduct of Members, other than that specifically described elsewhere in these Standing Orders

- consideration of any report the Controller of Audit may make to the Accounts Commission with respect to the accounts of the Council in terms of section 102 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and subsequent report on recommendations which the Accounts Commission may make to the Scottish Ministers
- delegation of new powers and duties and exercise of new discretion not already delegated to a Committee or officer
- any other matter which may not by law be delegated to a Committee or officer.