

**Crawley Borough Council Constitution  
Cabinet Member for Housing  
Portfolio Responsibilities**



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Deputy Leader of the Council

Crawley Homes - Landlord Role

The provision, management and control of Council dwellings including rents

Management and development of Council land held for housing purposes

Housing administration

Control of empty housing properties

Housing Strategic Role (including statutory functions)

Provision of housing advice, homelessness service and maintenance of housing register

Assessment of housing need and management of Housing Strategy

Release of funds to Housing Associations under the LAHAG programme in respect of schemes included in the approved capital programme

Unfit properties and houses in need of repair and improvement, houses in multiple occupation, the abatement of overcrowding and improvement grants

Joint working with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development to meet the housing needs of the borough

General oversight of local housing issues

Liaison and Joint Working with Social Services and Health (in relation to housing issues)

Council Tax Reductions and Housing Benefit

Responding to the Government's Welfare Reform agenda with the Leader of the Council

Specific Delegations:

- (1) Power to vary the rent of dwellings and garages held on the Housing Revenue Account
- (2) The approval of variations to the affordable housing requirements specified in Core Strategy Policy H5 for any housing scheme where it has been evidenced that scheme viability cannot support meeting these requirements in full, or where changes in housing needs of housing policy may justify any variation to the percentage and/or tenure mix being sought
- (3) To discharge the functions of the Council in relation to the appropriation of surplus land (excluding residential dwellings) from the Housing Revenue Account for a different use/purpose