

Article 10 - Joint Arrangements

10.1 Joint arrangements

Under Part 4 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014, the Council may establish joint arrangements with one or more local authorities to exercise functions and any such arrangements may involve the appointment of a joint committee with these other authorities.

Details of any joint arrangements including any delegations to joint committees will be found in Annex 4 – Joint Arrangements.

10.2 Access to information

The Access to Information Rules in Part 3 of this constitution apply.

10.3 Delegation to and from other Councils

The Council may delegate functions to another local authority.

Other local authorities may delegate functions to the Council and the decision whether or not to accept such a delegation from another local authority shall be reserved for the relevant committee of Ards and North Down Borough Council.

10.4 Contracting out

Ards and North Down Borough Council may contract to another body or organisation functions or services where the contractor acts as the Council's agent under usual contracting principles provided there is no delegation of the Council's discretionary decision making. Details of each service/function that has been contracted out is contained in Annex 5 – Contracted Out.