

## **Annex 2.2 – Further Information on the Mayor**

### **1. Role and function of the Mayor**

- 1.1. There are two distinct facets to the Office of Mayor: ceremonial and civic, because the Mayor is:
  - i. The First Citizen of the Borough of Epsom & Ewell.
  - ii. The Chair of Epsom & Ewell Borough Council.
- 1.2. The Mayor, and in their absence the Deputy Mayor, will be the first citizen of the Borough and have the following roles and functions, to:
  - i. Uphold and promote the purposes of the Constitution, and to interpret the Constitution when necessary.
  - ii. Preside impartially over meetings of Full Council so that its business can be carried out efficiently and with regard to the rights of councillors and the interests of the community.
  - iii. Be the representative for the council, the community and local democracy, and to work to ensure that the dignity and impartiality of the Office of Mayor is upheld.
  - iv. Ensure that Full Council meetings are a forum for the debate of matters of concern to the local community.
  - v. Promote public involvement in the council's activities.
  - vi. Attend appropriate civic and ceremonial functions.
  - vii. Promote the council as a whole and act as a focal point for the community.

### **2. Contact details**

- 2.1. The Mayor's contact details can be found on their page on the council's website.