



ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role Title	Northamptonshire County Councillor
Responsible to	The people of your local community and the people of Northamptonshire
Purpose of Role	<p>Community Champion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To represent the interests of local people in relation to all public services, regardless of who provides them; ○ To be a leader, champion and advocate for your community and county; ○ To engage the community in two-way communication so you can represent their views and aspirations and champion their cases; and ○ To work with the appropriate people from either the Council or partner organisations in order to try and build solutions and understanding. <p>Governor of the County Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To contribute to the governance of the Council and undertake any positions of special responsibility as appropriate. <p>Corporate Parent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To act as a champion and advocate for the children in the county to whom the Council has a duty to act.

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. To promote the economic, social and environmental well-being of your community and the county, at a local, regional and national level.
2. To champion local democracy and community involvement in local government by helping the Council to understand and focus on its role within local communities, and using your judgement to try to reconcile the needs of your constituents with Council policy.
3. To participate in the decision making process at the Council and to understand and communicate the impact of such decisions on both your community and the county.
4. To contribute to the work of any outside body to which you are appointed and to report to the Council as appropriate.
5. To act as a signpost for your constituents to services provided by or on behalf of the County Council and to other public service providers.
6. To participate actively in learning and development opportunities and to understand your role in how the Council works.
7. To maintain the highest standards of conduct and ethics in your role as a County Councillor. To demonstrate an understanding of equal opportunities and other people's behavioural, physical, social and welfare needs.
8. To ensure that reasonable care is taken at all times for the health, safety and welfare of you and other persons, and to comply with the policies and procedures relating to health and safety for the County Council.