Portfolio responsibilities
I am the portfolio lead for financial services including accountancy, audit, purchasing and payments. I have responsibility for ensuring that we deliver value for money for our council tax payers, reducing costs wherever possible.

The financial outlook for Local Government continues to look bleak. We anticipate that our Revenue Support Grant will be completely withdrawn by 2020. We are already on the way to managing this reduction, but recognise that we need to continue to remain agile and flexible in how we manage our services within a tightening financial environment.

Key Priorities and Projects
- Delivery of the asset management plan
- Introduce new joint finance systems in partnership with Lewes
- Continue with the business rates pooling mechanism with all East Sussex Councils

Representing the Council
I am the Council's representative on:
- iESE Ltd (voting rep)
- Local Government Association
- South Downs National Park Authority
- South East England Councils
- Neighbourhood Panels
- Neighbourhood Management Partnership Groups
- Redoubt Museum Policy Group
- Strategic Property Board

Key strategies and plans
- Capital Strategy
- Medium Term Financial Strategy
- Treasury Management and Investment Strategy
- Internal Audit Plan
- Risk Management Strategy
- Procurement Strategy
- Asset Management Plan
- Non Housing Asset Management
- Business Continuity Plan

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