

## **The Role of a Champion**

The Gender Champion works closely with other colleagues at a number of different levels within the organisation

Responsibilities will include:

1. Promote, and add value to the Women in Local Councils initiative.
2. Attend at training events organised by the Women's Development Steering Group to become further familiarised with the role of the Gender Champion.
3. Regular meetings with the others to:
  - help mentor new Champions recruited in this phase of the initiative
  - share good practice
  - contribute to a steering group implementing the Gender Action Plan
  - assist the Women's development Steering Group to develop case studies of good practice as appropriate
4. Understand and effectively represent priorities for the local government sector in terms of gender equality.
5. Engage and influence colleagues and stakeholders in the aim of the initiative
6. Record and report back on issues and concerns to the Women's Development Steering Group and Champions network to help inform future progress and development.
7. Acting as the first point of contact for enquiries re. the Women in Local Councils initiative and providing advice, guidance and support within the organisation.