



1.2.5 The role of local government

Local government as the constitutional, executive body for state responsibilities



Responsibilities of local authorities in their own right		Devolved responsibilities	
1. Voluntary responsibilities	2. Statutory responsibilities of self-government	3. Statutory responsibilities by direction	4. Responsibilities discharged on behalf of the state
<i>Leisure facilities; local public transport; playgrounds; grants for child and youth work</i>	<i>Refuse collection; water and power supply; building nurseries and schools, child and youth services</i>	<i>Availability of fire brigade, emergency services and civil protection; payment of income support and housing benefit</i>	<i>Holding Bundestag and local elections and carrying out the national census; recording persons liable to military service</i>



Local government as the constitutional body for local and democratic self-government