

CABINET ARRANGEMENTS: Cabinet Responsibilities

Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy and Customers and Communities:	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development
David Fothergill	David Hall
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All the statutory responsibilities of the Leader of the Council• Overall responsibility for the Council• Setting the Strategy and Vision for the whole organisation• Providing overall leadership and direction working closely with the rest of Cabinet and the Senior Leadership Team• Working closely with Cabinet in decision making to develop effective council policies and the delivery of high quality cost effective services to local people• Regional, National and international affairs• Developing and maintaining strategic relationships and relationships with key partners• Lead Member for Commissioning• Lead member for customers and communities• Lead member for communications and management of the Council's reputation• Customer services and access channels• Customer insight, research and evidence• Consultation and engagement• Lead member for equalities• Lead member for localism and engagement with districts, parishes, town councils and communities• Lead member for encouraging participation, volunteering and community self-help• To appoint and hold Cabinet Members and Junior Cabinet Members to account for their areas of responsibility including financial and operational performance and meeting the requirements of the County Plan and the Medium Term Financial Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead Member for development and oversight of Financial Management, including the Medium Term Financial Plan and Annual Budget• Property including asset rationalisation, facilities management and programme delivery• Health and Safety• Lead Member for corporate performance standards and monitoring• Lead Member for Legal Services and Corporate Governance, Internal Audit, Treasury Management and Risk management• Member development, civic and member support services• Lead Member for Economic Development & Tourism• Lead Member for Sustainability and Low Carbon agenda (including Hinkley Programme)• Capturing the benefits of new nuclear and other energy investments• Improving infrastructure - road, rail and technology (including the Broadband programme)• Encouraging inward investment and support for existing businesses• Improving young people's prospects and skills (shared with the Cabinet Member for Children & Families)• Libraries• Reduce waste and help residents recycle more• Reduce Council's carbon footprint• External business development and innovation• Flood, water and coastal management• To be accountable for policy development and the financial

	<p>and operational performance of services within their area of responsibility, including meeting the requirements of the County Plan and the Medium Term Financial Plan</p> <p><u>Deputy Leader role</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full powers to undertake the role of the Leader where the Leader is absent or is unable to perform the role
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Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	Cabinet Member for Children & Families
David Huxtable <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All responsibilities of statutory Lead Member for Adult Social Care role• Lead Member for Adult Social Services• Services for People with Learning Disabilities• Close working with CQC• Safeguarding adults• Delivery of Personalisation Agenda• Personal Budgets• Reablement and regaining independence• Improving the independence and well being of adults, older people and people with learning/physical disabilities• To be accountable for policy development and the financial and operational performance of services within their area of responsibility, including meeting the requirements of the County Plan and the Medium Term Financial Plan	Frances Nicholson <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All responsibilities of the statutory Lead Member for Children Services role• Lead Member for Children’s Services, learning and achievement• Investing in and improving school facilities• Improving the health of children & young people• Addressing Child Poverty• Supporting educational achievement and improved outcomes for children & young people• Improving young people’s prospects and skills (<i>shared with Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development</i>)• Delivery of Personalisation Agenda and Personal Budgets• Protect and care for the most vulnerable• Support and recruit more adopters and fosterers of children• Improve prospects of disadvantaged children and young people and their families, and those at risk of being disadvantaged• Specialist services for children with disabilities• Special Educational Needs• Safeguarding children• School admissions• Support Services for Education

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Academy conversions• Youth offending and targeted youth work• Early help services for children and young people and their families• Early years and children’s centres• Authority to nominate school governor candidates• To be accountable for policy development and the financial and operational performance of services within their area of responsibility, including meeting the requirements of the County Plan and the Medium Term Financial Plan
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Cabinet Member for Public Health and Well-Being	Cabinet Member for Highways & Transport
Christine Lawrence <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead Member for Public Health and Health & Well-Being• Lead member for tackling health and social inequalities• Lead for embedding prevention across the work of the council• Lead Member for developing greater integration with the health sector and local authority• Lead member for developing a joint Somerset vision for improving health and wellbeing and reducing inequalities• Maintaining links with health community and partnerships• Leading on public health programmes including obesity, smoking cessation, drug and alcohol services, promotion of Emotional Health and Well Being, NHS Health Checks and sexual health• Community Safety• Drugs & Alcohol Partnership• Oversight of all health protection arrangements at a local level including immunisation, prevention and mental well-being• Health & Well-Being intelligence at local level	John Woodman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead Member for Public Transport & Highways• Traffic Management• Transporting Somerset• Passenger Transport• Highway maintenance• Rights of Way• Area Highways services• Parking Services and Civil Parking Enforcement• Road Safety and Road Safety Policy• Transport Policy• Highway Assets and Improvements• Highways & Transport contract management• Traffic & Transport Development• Highways Lighting• Highways Development Control• Engineering Design & Programmes• To be accountable for policy development and the financial and operational performance of services within their area of responsibility, including meeting the requirements of the

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Cabinet Member for Corporate and Community Services:
Anna Groskop
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead Member for coordinating transformation across the Council• Human Resources and Organisational Development, including Workforce Development• Commercial and Procurement• Information and Communications Technology (ICT)• Information Governance• Business Transformation and Change including the Core Council Programme• Dillington House• Heritage• Registration services and Scientific services• Trading Standards• Leisure commissioning• Planning Policy (Minerals and Waste)• Planning Control• Areas of Outstanding National Beauty• Emergency Planning & Civil contingencies• To be accountable for policy development and the financial and operational performance of services within their area of responsibility, including meeting the requirements of the County Plan and the Medium Term Financial Plan

Junior Cabinet Member appointments:

Cllr Clare Aparicio Paul - Junior Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development

Cllr Gemma Verdon - Junior Cabinet Member for Children and Families

Cllr Faye Purbrick - Junior Cabinet Member for Corporate and Community Services

Cllr Giuseppe Fraschini - Junior Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care

Purpose and Key Responsibilities

Junior Cabinet Members are appointed by the Leader of the Council. Their titles and functions are also agreed by the Leader. Their primary role is to provide advice, policy development and support to their Cabinet Member.

Junior Cabinet Members will be allocated specific service areas to lead and advise the Cabinet and relevant Cabinet Member on by the relevant Cabinet member. They are not able to take decisions. They will:

1. Support their relevant Cabinet Member to provide clear political leadership both within and outside of the County Council in order to help advance and deliver the Council's priorities and key outcomes
2. Focus on information gathering and understanding key policy / service delivery in their areas of responsibility
3. Assist with the development of options and policies for consideration by the Cabinet and relevant Cabinet Member taking into account national policies and local circumstances
4. Brief and make recommendations to Cabinet and their relevant Cabinet Members and others on relevant issues in relation to policy and strategy development, service improvement or changes and decision making.
5. Represent or deputise for their relevant Cabinet Member at meetings or events as necessary.
5. Promote and support good governance of the Council and its business.
6. Keep other Members of Council informed about their activities,
7. Maintain effective working relationships with Senior Leadership Team officers and other Officers.
8. Create and maintain effective relationships with partners and organisations to deliver the Council's priorities
9. Be accountable to their relevant Cabinet Member, and ultimately the Leader of the Council, for the development and delivery of policies and strategies to meet the outcomes required by the Council and the Cabinet
10. Be accountable to their relevant Cabinet Member for supporting the commissioning and delivery of services to meet the outcomes required by the Council and the Cabinet. This includes supporting the delivery of County Plan priorities and Medium Term Financial Plan savings
11. Play a key role in supporting transformational programmes within their areas of responsibility
12. Play a key role in the delivery of specific projects within their areas of responsibility

Opposition Spokespersons

Cllr Jane Lock – Opposition Group Leader

Cllr Simon Coles – Opposition Group Deputy Leader

Cllr Jane Lock – Opposition Spokesperson for Children and Families

Cllr Simon Coles – Opposition Spokesperson for Resources and Economic Development

Cllr Bill Revans – Opposition Spokesperson for Adult Social Care

Cllr Mike Rigby – Opposition Spokesperson for Highways and Transport

Cllr Amanda Broom – Opposition Spokesperson for Public Health and Well-Being

Cllr Liz Leyshon – Opposition Spokesperson for Corporate and Community Services