

Title of Report	Composition of Cabinet and Appointment of Cabinet Members; Appointment of Deputy Cabinet Members; Establishment and Appointment to Cabinet Committees; Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation
For Consideration By	Council
Meeting Date	28 May 2026
Classification	Open
<u>Ward(s) Affected</u>	All
	Mayor Zoë Garbett Louise Humphreys, Monitoring Officer & Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services

1. **Summary**

- 1.1. This report requests Full Council to note, for the 2026-2027 Municipal Year the composition of Cabinet and the appointment of Cabinet Members, the appointments of Deputy Cabinet Members; the establishment of and appointments to Cabinet Committees and the Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation.
- 1.2. The Mayor and Cabinet will be reviewing Member Champion roles over the coming months with a view to notifying Full Council of any Member Champion appointments at a future meeting.

2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1. **That the composition of Cabinet and appointments of Councillors to serve as Cabinet Members as set out in Appendix 1 is noted.**
- 2.2. **That the appointments of Councillors to serve as Deputy Cabinet Members as set out in Appendix 2 is noted.**
- 2.3. **That the establishment of, and appointments to, Cabinet committees as set out in Appendix 3 is noted.**
- 2.4. **That the Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation for 2026/2027 as set out in Appendix 4 is noted.**

- 2.5. That delegated authority is granted to the Council's Monitoring Officer to make any consequential changes to the Council's Constitution to give effect to these portfolio areas of responsibility and names.
- 2.6. That the Mayor's intention to report Member Champion appointments to a future meeting of the Full Council is noted.

3. **Background**

- 3.1. Council Procedure Rule 1.3, Part 4 Section A of the Council's Constitution, provides that the Annual Meeting of Full Council must:

“(h) Note the Elected Mayor's appointments to Cabinet, Deputy Cabinet Members and Mayoral Champions for the coming municipal year.

(i) Note the establishment of any Executive Committees for the coming year, and appointments to those Committees.

(xiv) Note the Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation for executive functions.”

- 3.2. This report is therefore submitted to the Annual Meeting in compliance with these Constitutional requirements.

4. **Comments of the Group Director of Finance**

- 4.1. There are no additional budgetary implications arising from this report. The changes outlined in the report result in an estimated £64k in year reduction in the total cost of members allowances and special responsibility allowances in respect of the executive. Costs will be met from the current approved budget.

5. **Comments of the Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services**

- 5.1. Other than as set out in the report, there are no other legal implications arising.
- 5.2. With respect to the various cabinet portfolios, consequential changes may be required to the Constitution to give effect to the changes in portfolio areas of responsibility and names. Council is therefore being asked for authority to be delegated to the Council's Monitoring Officer for this purpose as the current delegations in Article 1.5 of the Constitution do not permit such changes to be made under delegation.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Composition of Cabinet and Appointment of Cabinet Members

Appendix 2 - Appointment of Deputy Cabinet Members

Appendix 3 - Cabinet Committees

Appendix 4 - Mayor's Scheme of Delegation 2026 / 2027

Background documents

None

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