

Annual Council

20 May 2026

**Appointment of Members, Chairs and Vice-Chairs to the Council's
Committees, Sub-Committees and Other Bodies 2026-27**

Notes:

- The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council may not be members of the Cabinet.
- Cabinet members cannot be members of the Scrutiny Committees.
- The Chairs of the Scrutiny Committees will be appointed from the opposition groups.
- Cabinet members and Scrutiny Committees Chairs cannot be members of the Audit & Governance Committee.
- The Leader of the Cabinet cannot be a member of the Standards Committee. Only one Cabinet member can be a member of the Standards Committee but cannot be the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Committee.
- The Joint Appointments Committee must include the Leader of the Council and will be chaired by the Leader (or substitute Cabinet member) of the Lead Authority making the appointment.
- The Investigatory and Disciplinary Committee must include at least one Cabinet member.
- The position of Vice-Chair for the Trade Union Consultative Forum is allocated to the Trade Unions' representatives for nomination.
- The positions of Chair for the Investigatory & Disciplinary Committee and the Constitution Working Group are appointed at the first meetings of those bodies in the municipal year.

Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee (11 Members)

Reform UK (4)	Labour (3)	Conservatives (3)	Greens (1)
Cecil, Daniel	Freeman, Maureen	Haden, Philippa	Muckley, Andrea
Cecil, Melissa	Johnson, Tony	Lyons, Olivia	
Deakin, Steven	Prestwood, Jacquie	Thompson, Samantha	
Millington, Graham			

Health, Wellbeing & The Community Scrutiny Committee (11 Members +1 Staffordshire County Council Co-opted Member and +1 Independent Member)

Reform UK (4)	Labour (3)	Conservatives (3)	Greens (1)
Cecil, Melissa	Boulton, Carl	Fitzgerald, Adrienne	Elson, Jo
Deakin, Steven	Fisher, Paul	Haden, Philippa	
Hunt, Alex	Freeman, Maureen	Jones, Val	
Sheppard, Michael			

Responsible Council Scrutiny Committee (11 Members)

Reform UK (4)	Labour (3)	Conservatives (3)	Greens (1)
Cecil, Daniel	Dunnett, Mandy	Bancroft, Josh	Mawle, Darrell
Cecil, Melissa	Fisher, Paul	Lyons, Nick	
Deakin, Steven	Gaye, David	Sutherland, Mike	
Hunt, Alex			

Planning Control Committee (13 Members)

Reform UK (5)	Labour (4)	Conservatives (3)	Greens (1)
Cecil, Daniel	Fisher, Paul	Fitzgerald, Adrienne	Mawle, Darrell
Deakin, Steven	Freeman, Maureen	Jones, Val	
Millington, Graham	Gaye, David	Lyons, Nick	
Parkes, John	Prestwood, Jaquie		
Sheppard, Michael			

Licensing and Public Protection Committee (10 Members)

Reform UK (4)	Labour (3)	Conservatives (2)	Greens (1)
Cecil, Daniel	Fisher, Paul	Fitzgerald, Adrienne	Elson, Jo
Cecil, Melissa	Freeman, Maureen	Sutherland, Mike	
Deakin, Steven	Johnson, Tony		
Parkes, John			

Licensing Sub-Committee (3 Members)

The Sub-Committee will comprise 3 Members of the Licensing and Public Protection Committee

Audit & Governance Committee (6 Members)

Reform UK (3)	Labour (2)	Conservatives (1)
Branson, Robert	Gaye, David	Sutherland, Mike
Cecil, Melissa	Hill, Jeff	
Sheppard, Michael		

Standards Committee (6 Members + Parish / Town Council Representatives (x8))

Reform UK (3)	Labour (1)	Conservatives (1)	Independent (1)
Branson, Robert	Boulton, Carl	Lyons, Olivia	Aston, Julie
Craddock, Richard			
Millington, Graham			

Joint Appointments Committee (6 Members (3 CCDC and 3 SBC))

Reform UK (1)	Labour (1)	Conservatives (1)
Jones, Paul	Freeman, Maureen	Lyons, Olivia

Investigatory & Disciplinary Committee (5 Members)

Reform UK (2)	Labour (1)	Greens (1)	Independent (1)
Jones, Paul	Freeman, Maureen	Elson, Jo	Aston, Julie
Craddock, Richard			

Trade Union Consultative Forum (6 Members + Trade Unions Representatives)

Reform UK (2)	Labour (2)	Conservatives (1)	Greens (1)
Jones, Paul	Hill, Jeff	Sutherland, Mike	Mawle, Darrell
Craddock, Richard	Johnson, Tony		

Appeals and Complaints Panel (5 Members)

Reform UK (2)	Labour (1)	Conservatives (1)	Greens (1)
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Constitution Working Group (6 Members)

Reform UK (2)	Labour (2)	Conservatives (1)	Greens (1)
Bell, Mandy	Dunnett, Mandy	Thompson, Samantha	Muckley, Andrea
Hunt, Alex	Gaye, David		

Proposed Nominations for Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees etc.

Committee	Position	Councillor	Political Group
Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee	Chair	Lyons, Olivia	Conservatives
	Vice-Chair	Deakin, Steven	Reform UK
	Vice-Chair	Thompson, Samantha	Conservatives
Health, Wellbeing and The Community Scrutiny Committee	Chair	Boulton, Carl	Labour
	Vice-Chair	Hunt, Alex	Reform UK
	Vice-Chair	Jones, Val	Conservatives
Responsible Council Scrutiny Committee	Chair	Mawle, Darrell	Green
	Vice-Chair	Cecil, Daniel	Reform UK
	Vice-Chair	Sutherland, Mike	Conservatives
Planning Control Committee	Chair	Deakin, Steven	Reform UK
	Chair	Fisher, Paul	Labour
	Chair	Mawle, Darrell	Green
	Vice-Chair	Fitzgerald, Adrienne	Conservatives
	Vice-Chair	Mawle, Darrell	Green
Licensing and Public Protection Committee	Chair	Cecil, Daniel	Reform UK
	Chair	Freeman, Maureen	Labour
	Vice-Chair	Sutherland, Mike	Conservatives
Audit & Governance Committee	Chair	Branson, Robert	Reform UK
	Vice-Chair	No nominations received	
Standards Committee	Chair	Branson, Robert	Reform UK
	Vice-Chair	No nominations received	
Trade Union Consultative Forum	Chair	Jones, Paul	Reform UK