

# City of Wolverhampton Council

## Cabinet Members, Scrutiny and Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs 2022/2023

### The Cabinet

The Cabinet comprises the following Councillors. Lead roles are indicated below although it should be noted that these may be shared with the Leader or other Cabinet Members.



**Leader**  
Ian Brookfield

- Our City: Our Plan
- City Partnerships
- West Midlands Combined Authority
- International, national, regional and sub-regional Leadership
- External relations, Public Relations and Reputation Management
- New Communities and migration
- Wolverhampton Pound
- Visitor Experience (Culture and Events)



**Deputy Leader: Inclusive City Economy**  
Stephen Simkins

- Our City: Our Plan – thriving economy in all parts of the city
- Strategic Planning, incl. Local Plan policy
- Supporting City businesses
- Stimulating Inward investment
- Economic growth and inclusion partnerships
- City Marketing




**Adults**  
Linda Leach

- Our City: Our Plan – fulfilled lives for all with quality care for those that need it
- Health and Care integration through the integrated care system, place based partnership and integrated care partnership
- Health and Care reform including the fair cost of care and social care cap government reforms.
- Adult Services Transformation work
- Operational Social care provision for adults, older people, learning and physical disabilities, complex needs and mental health including:- Adult Safeguarding (MASH 24)
- AMHP Hub
- Carer support (paid and unpaid)
- Welfare rights


**Cabinet Portfolio Policy Area**

- Information, advice and guidance (including Wolverhampton Information Network)
- Better Care Fund
- Adult care commissioning and market sustainability
- Quality assurance and monitoring
- Adult user engagement
- Financial Assessments
- QC Inspection framework




**Children and Young People**  
Beverley Momenabadi

- Our City: Our Plan – strong families where children grow up well and achieve their full potential
- Our City: Our Plan – fulfilled lives for all with quality care for those that need it
- Children's safeguarding incl. prevention of exploitation
- Children in need and in need of protection
- Children and young people in care and care leavers
- Corporate parenting
- Early intervention, prevention and specialist services
- Children's Transformation work (incl. specific funded programmes and national reform)
- Youth Offending
- Children and young people partnership working
- Children and young people's health incl. disabilities and emotional health and wellbeing
- Children's Services commissioning
- Children and Young People's participation and engagement



**City Assets and Housing**  
Bhupinder Gakhal

- Our City: Our Plan – good homes in wellconnected neighbourhoods
- Our City: Our Plan – Our Assets – ensuring the city has a fit for purpose asset portfolio to meet current and future needs
- Delivery and implementation of the Strategic Asset Plan
- City Housing Strategy and Housing Policies
- City Prevention of Homelessness Strategy
- City Housing Needs & Affordable Housing incl. Temporary Accommodation
- City Private Housing Services Incl.
- Enforcement and Civil Penalties
- Safer Homes incl. National Residential Building Safety Programme
- City Residential Landlord Services – Wolverhampton Homes Arm's Length Management Company
- City Residential Landlord Services – Tenant Management Organisations Right to Manage Tenant Organisations and Cooperatives
- City Housing Company – WV Living Ltd
- City Housing Development Strategy




**City Environment and Climate Change**  
Steve Evans

- Our City: Our Plan – healthy inclusive communities
- Our City: Our Plan – good homes in wellconnected neighbourhoods
- Our City: Our Plan – climate conscious
- Strategic Transportation
- Operational Transportation incl. highways management and maintenance
- Waste and Recycling Services
- Street cleansing
- Grounds maintenance, parks operations, country parks operations
- Markets
- Public protection and consumer protection
- Licensing
- Parking Services
- Bereavement and Registrars
- Coroner
- Fleet management
- Passenger Transport
- Sustainability
- Climate Change (Chair of Climate Change Advisory Group)



**Resources and Digital City**  
Obaida Ahmed

- Our City: Our Plan – Driven by Digital
- Our Digital including the council's digital and IT service
- Our Data including data and analytics
- Digital infrastructure and connectivity
- Digital Inclusion including digital skills
- Digital innovation
- Digital Projects
- Our Money including Medium term financial planning
- a. capital strategy (incl. schools)
- b. budget development process
- c. treasury management strategy
- Council tax and business rates
- Housing benefits and council tax benefits
- Procurement and Commercialisation
- Audit and Corporate risk
- Customer Services



**Education, Skills and Work**  
Chris Burden

- Our City: Our Plan – more local people into good jobs and training
- Our City: Our Plan – strong families where children grow up well and achieve their full potential
- Early Years
- School standards and attainment
- Strategic School place planning
- School admissions
- 0-25 Special Educational Needs and Disability
- Education inclusion incl. behaviour, attendance, and elected home education
- School governance
- Home to school transport
- Commercial services to schools
- Health and wellbeing for schools Cabinet Portfolio Policy Area
- Post 16 School Education provision
- Adult Education
- Further and higher education (incl. Wolverhampton College, training providers and universities)
- Skills and employability including Careers advice, Wolves at Work, Impact and Workbox



**Governance and Equalities**  
Paula Brookfield


- Our City: Our Plan – Fair and Inclusive priority including equalities
- Legal
- Democratic Services and Scrutiny
- Electoral Registration and Elections
- Information Governance
- Civic Support (Mayoral and Councillor Support) and Councillor Enquiries
- Complaints and Feedback
- Our People Strategy Incl. HR and Organisation Development
- Health and Safety




**Health and Wellbeing**  
Jasbir Jaspal

- Our City: Our Plan – healthy, inclusive communities Preventing Ill Health and reducing Health Inequalities
- Starting and developing well
- Healthy Life Expectancy
- Healthy Ageing
- Community safety & community cohesion
- Emergency Planning, Resilience and business continuity
- NHS Partnerships
- Voluntary and Community Sector Partnerships
- Community Engagement
- Public Health Commissioning
- Libraries and Community Hubs

### Scrutiny Board



**Chair**  
Paul Sweet



**Vice Chair**  
Ellis Turrell

### Mayor



**Mayor**  
Sandra Samuels OBE



**Deputy Mayor**  
Dr Michael Hardacre

### Opposition Leader and Deputy Leader



**Opposition Leader**  
Wendy Thompson




**Opposition Deputy Leader**  
Simon Bennett

### Scrutiny Panels




**Chair**  
Val Evans




**Vice Chair**  
Stephanie Haynes

Fulfilled Adult Lives



**Chair**  
Rita Potter




**Vice Chair**  
Adam Collinge

Strong Families, Children & Young People




**Chair**  
Zee Rusell




**Vice Chair**  
Udey Singh

Resources & Equality



**Chair**  
Susan Roberts MBE



**Vice Chair**  
Paul Singh

Health



**Chair**  
Jacqui Sweetman



**Vice Chair**  
Sohail Khan

Economy & Growth




**Chair**  
Barbara McGarrity




**Vice Chair**  
Chris Haynes

Residents, Housing & Communities



**Chair**  
Craig Collingswood



**Vice Chair**  
Paul Appleby

Audit




**Chair**  
John Reynolds




**Vice Chair**  
Jonathan Crofts

Governance & Ethics




**Chair**  
Phil Page




**Vice Chair**  
Rashpal Kaur

Licensing




**Chair**  
Milkinder Jaspal




**Vice Chair**  
Olivia Birch

Pensions



**Chair**  
Anwen Muston



**Vice Chair**  
Jill Wildman

Planning