










# City of Wolverhampton Council



## Cabinet Members, Scrutiny and Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs 2024/2025

### 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.

 <p><b>Leader</b> Stephen Simkins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan</li> <li>City Partnerships</li> <li>West Midlands Combined Authority</li> <li>International, national, regional and sub-regional Leadership</li> <li>Financial Wellbeing</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Deputy Leader: City Housing</b> Steve Evans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan – good homes in well-connected neighbourhoods</li> <li>City Housing Strategy and Housing Policies</li> <li>City Prevention of Homelessness Strategy</li> <li>City Housing Needs &amp; Affordable Housing incl. Temporary Accommodation</li> <li>City Private Housing Services Incl. Enforcement and Civil Penalties</li> <li>Safer Homes incl. National Residential Building Safety Programme</li> <li>City Residential Landlord Services – Wolverhampton Homes Arm's Length Management Company</li> <li>City Residential Landlord Services – Tenant Management Organisations Right to Manage Tenant Organisations and Cooperatives</li> <li>City Housing Company – WV Living Ltd</li> <li>City Housing Development Strategy</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Governance and Equalities</b> Paula Brookfield</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan - Fair and Inclusive priority including equalities</li> <li>Legal</li> <li>Democratic Services and School Appeals</li> <li>Scrutiny</li> <li>Electoral Registration and Elections</li> <li>Information Governance</li> <li>Civic Support (Mayoral and Councillor Support) and Councillor Enquiries</li> <li>Corporate Complaints and Feedback</li> <li>Our People Strategy incl. HR and</li> <li>Organisation Development</li> <li>Health and Safety</li> <li>Emergency Planning, Resilience and business continuity</li> <li>Our City Our Plan – Our Assets – ensuring the city has a fit for purpose asset portfolio to meet current and future needs.</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Resources</b> Louise Miles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our Money including Medium term financial planning                     <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>capital strategy (incl. schools)</li> <li>budget development process</li> <li>treasury management strategy</li> </ol> </li> <li>Council tax and business rates</li> <li>Housing benefits and council tax benefits</li> <li>Procurement and Commercialisation</li> <li>Audit and Corporate risk</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Children, Young People and Education</b> Jaqueline Coogan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan – strong families where children grow up well and achieve their full potential</li> <li>Our City: Our Plan – fulfilled lives for all with quality care for those that need it Children's safeguarding incl. prevention of exploitation</li> <li>Children in need and in need of protection</li> <li>Children and young people in care and care leavers</li> <li>Corporate parenting</li> <li>Early intervention, prevention and specialist services</li> <li>Children's Transformation work (incl. specific funded programmes and national reform)</li> <li>Youth Offending</li> <li>Children and young people partnership working</li> <li>Children and young people's health incl. disabilities and emotional health and wellbeing</li> <li>Children's Services commissioning</li> <li>Children and Young People's participation and engagement</li> <li>Early Years</li> <li>School standards and attainment</li> <li>Strategic School place planning</li> <li>School admissions</li> <li>0-25 Special Educational Needs and Disability</li> <li>Education inclusion incl. behaviour, attendance, and elected home education</li> <li>School governance</li> <li>Home to school transport</li> <li>Commercial services to schools</li> <li>Health and wellbeing for schools</li> <li>Post 16 School Education provision</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Adults and Wellbeing</b> Jasbir Jaspal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan – fulfilled lives for all with quality care for those that need it</li> <li>Health and Care integration through the integrated care system, place-based partnership and integrated care partnership</li> <li>Health and Care reform including the fair cost of care and social care cap government reforms.</li> <li>Adult Services Transformation work</li> <li>Operational Social care provision for adults, older people, learning and physical disabilities, complex needs and mental health including:-                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Safeguarding (MASH 24)</li> <li>AMHP Hub</li> <li>Carer support (paid and unpaid)</li> <li>Welfare rights</li> <li>Information, advice and guidance (including Wolverhampton Information Network)</li> <li>Better Care Fund</li> <li>Adult care commissioning and market sustainability</li> <li>Quality assurance and monitoring</li> <li>Adult user engagement</li> <li>Financial Assessments</li> </ul> </li> <li>CQC inspection framework</li> <li>Our City: Our Plan – healthy, inclusive communities Preventing ill Health and reducing Health Inequalities</li> <li>Starting and developing well</li> <li>Healthy Life Expectancy</li> <li>Healthy Ageing</li> <li>NHS Partnerships</li> <li>Public Health Commissioning</li> <li>WV Active</li> </ul>
 <p><b>City Development, Jobs and Skills</b> Chris Burden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan – more local people into good jobs and training</li> <li>Adult Education</li> <li>Further and higher education (incl. Wolverhampton College, training providers and universities)</li> <li>Skills and employability including Careers advice, Wolves at Work, Impact and Workbook</li> <li>Our City: Our Plan – thriving economy in all parts of the city</li> <li>Strategic Planning, incl. Local Plan policy</li> <li>Supporting City businesses</li> <li>Stimulating Inward investment</li> <li>Economic growth and inclusion partnerships</li> <li>Delivery and implementation of the Strategic Asset Plan</li> <li>External relations, Public Relations and Reputation Management</li> <li>Visitor Experience (Culture and Events)</li> <li>City Marketing</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Transport and Green City</b> Kaiser Azeem</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan – climate conscious</li> <li>Strategic Transportation</li> <li>Operational Transportation incl. highways management and maintenance</li> <li>Fleet management</li> <li>Passenger Transport</li> <li>Sustainability</li> <li>Delivery of the 2028 climate commitment</li> <li>Delivery of the 2041 climate commitment for the city</li> <li>Parking Services</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Digital and Community Inclusion</b> Obaida Ahmed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our City: Our Plan - Driven by Digital</li> <li>Our Digital including the council's digital and IT service</li> <li>Our Data including data and analytics</li> <li>Digital infrastructure and connectivity</li> <li>Digital Inclusion including digital skills</li> <li>Digital innovation</li> <li>Digital Projects</li> <li>Customer Services</li> <li>Registrars</li> <li>Archives</li> <li>Voluntary and Community Sector Partnerships</li> <li>Community Engagement</li> <li>Libraries and Community Hubs</li> <li>New Communities and Migration</li> <li>Community safety and community cohesion</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Resident Services</b> Bhupinder Gakhal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Waste and Recycling Services</li> <li>Street cleansing</li> <li>Grounds maintenance, parks operations, country parks operations</li> <li>Markets</li> <li>Public protection and consumer protection</li> <li>Licensing</li> <li>Bereavements</li> <li>Coroner</li> <li>Kabaddi World Cup</li> </ul>

### Scrutiny Board

 <p><b>Chair</b> Philip Bateman</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Jeszemma Howell</p>
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### Mayor

 <p><b>Mayoress</b> Linda Leach</p>	 <p><b>Deputy Mayor</b> Craig Collingswood</p>
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### Opposition Leader and Deputy Leader



 <p><b>Opposition Leader</b> Wendy Thompson</p>	 <p><b>Opposition Deputy Leader</b> Wendy Dalton</p>
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### Scrutiny Panels

 <p><b>Chair</b> Val Evans</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Lamina Lloyd</p>
<p>Adult</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Jane Francis</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Andrew McNeil</p>
<p>Children, Young People &amp; Education</p>	



 <p><b>Chair</b> John Reynolds</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Paul Brookfield</p>
<p>Resources &amp; Equality</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Mary Bateman</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Paul Singh</p>
<p>Health</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Jacqui Sweetman</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Sally Green</p>
<p>Economy &amp; Growth</p>	



 <p><b>Chair</b> Susan Roberts MBE</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Stephanie Haynes</p>
<p>Climate Change, Housing and Communities</p>	



### Committees

 <p><b>Chair</b> Jaspreet Jaspal</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Ciaran Brackenridge</p>
<p>Audit and Risk</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Rita Potter</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Barbara McGarrity</p>
<p>Governance &amp; Ethics</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Zee Russell</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Alan Butt</p>
<p>Regulatory and Statutory Licensing</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Milkinder Jaspal</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Tersaim Singh</p>
<p>Pensions</p>	

 <p><b>Chair</b> Paul Sweet</p>	 <p><b>Vice Chair</b> Gillian Wildman</p>
<p>Planning</p>	