

Appointment of Committees 2024/25



Appointment of Cabinet by the Executive Leader:-

(1) Cabinet (Composition 8 + 7 Lead Members)

Portfolio

Executive Leader and Economic Development and Regeneration
Deputy Leader and Adult Social Care
Planning, Environmental Services and Transport
Children and Families
Finance, Resources, and Transformation
Housing and Welfare
Communities and Neighbourhoods
Police, Crime and Civil Contingencies

Cabinet Member (8)

Councillor D T Molyneux
Councillor K Cunliffe
Councillor P Prescott
Councillor J Bullen
Councillor N Rehman
Councillor S Gambles
Councillor C Ready
Councillor D Anderton

Area of Responsibility

Greener Wigan
Leisure and Public Health
Equalities and Domestic Abuse
Armed Forces and Veterans
District Centres and Night-Time Economy
Youth Opportunities
Heritage and Building Conservation

Lead Members (7)

Councillor J Marshall
Councillor D Fletcher
Councillor P Wakefield
Councillor M Smethurst
Councillor Y Klieve
Councillor L Flynn
Councillor L Hunt

The appointment of Councillor D T Molyneux as Executive Leader was made at the Annual Council Meeting in May 2022, and the appointment of Councillor D T Molyneux will run until May 2026.

Appointment of Committees by the Council:-

Scrutiny Committees:-

(2) Confident Places Scrutiny Committee (Composition - 15 Elected Members)	
Training for this Committee will be arranged by the Member Development Manager	
Labour (13)	Councillors C Morgan, (Chairman), B J Taylor (Vice-Chairman), S Brown, M Crosby, P Cullen, G Davies, V Galligan, G Lloyd, M Morgan, J Palmer, J Prescott, M Smith and D Wailes

Opposition (2)

Independent Network (1)	Councillor J Hodgkinson
Independents Together (1)	Councillor R Brierley

(3) Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee (Composition – 15 Elected Members; 6 Statutory Co-opted Members and 2 Non-Statutory Co-opted Members)	
Training for this Committee will be arranged by the Member Development Manager	
Labour (13)	Councillors G Merrett (Chairman), J Eastoe (Vice-Chairman), S Brown, J Gregory, G Lloyd, L McStein, S Ramsdale, E Rigby, B Taylor, M Tebbutt, D Wailes, F Walker and D Wood

Opposition (2)

Independents Together (1)	Councillor S Myler
Independent Network (1)	Councillor J Fish

Statutory Co-opted Members (5)	
Representatives of Religious Denominations (2):	
Roman Catholic (1)	Michael Boland (appointed August 2023 / term of office until May 2025)
Church of England (1)	Vacant

Representatives of Parent Governors (3 - 5):

Primary Sector	Tracy Lamb (appointed May 2021 / term of office until May 2025)
Secondary Sector	Vacant
Special Sector	Vacant
Non-Statutory Co-opted Members – Annual appointments (3):	
Wigan School Governors Forum	Chair of the Wigan School Governors' Forum (currently Alison Halliwell)
Wigan Youth Cabinet	TBC
Embrace Wigan and Leigh	Lynne Hamnett

**(4) Confident Council Scrutiny Committee
(Composition - 15 Elected Members)**

Training for this Committee will be arranged by the Member Development Manager

Labour (13)	Councillors E Smethurst (Chairman), M Callaghan (Vice-Chairman), A Bullen, J Churton, P Collins, L McStein, P Molyneux, M Morgan, J Nicholson, H O'Neill, J Palmer, J Prescott and M Tebbutt
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Opposition (2)

Non Group (1)	Councillor T Whyte
Independent Network (1)	Councillor P Watson

**(5) Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee
(Composition – 15 Elected Members and 2 Non-Statutory Co-opted Members)**

Training for this Committee will be arranged by the Member Development Manager

Labour (12)	Councillors R Conway (Chairman), P Molyneux (Vice-Chairman), A Collins, P Collins, P Draper, J Eastoe, S Greensmith, J Gregory, M McLoughlin, H O'Neill, E Rigby, and J Talbot
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Opposition (3)

Independent Network (1)	Councillor P Watson
Non-Group (1)	Councillor M O'Bern
	Vacancy

Non-Statutory Co-opted Members – Annual appointments:

Healthwatch Wigan and Leigh	Adrian Hardy
Embrace Wigan and Leigh	Lynne Hamnett

Regulatory and Other Committees:-

(6) Health and Wellbeing Board	
Wigan Council Statutory Membership	Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care Portfolio Holder for Housing and Welfare Portfolio Holder for Children and Families Lead Member for Public Health Chair of Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee

(7) Planning Committee (Composition 15 Elected Members)	
Mandatory training will take place on Thursday 6 June 2024 at 10am	
Labour (13)	Councillors P Kenny (Chairman), J Harding, (Vice-Chairman), P Blay, A Collins, P Cullen, M Dawber, L Flynn, S Greensmith, D Hurst, J Nicholson, M Smith, F Walker and D Wood

Opposition (2)

Independent Alliance (2)	Councillor J Fish, Councillor S Gerrard
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(8) Licensing Committee (Composition 15 Elected Members)

Mandatory training for this Committee will take place on Monday 3 June 2024 at 10am

Labour (13)	Councillors K Anderson (Chairman), P J Blay, (Vice Chairman), A Bullen, M Callaghan, M J Crosby, G Davies, V Galligan, J Harding, D Hurst, T Muga, C Roberts, J Talbot and J Vickers

Opposition (2)

Conservatives (1)	Councillor R Whittingham
	Vacancy

(9) Regulation Committee (Composition 15 Elected Members)

Mandatory training for this Committee will take place on Monday 3 June 2024 at 10am

Labour (13)	Councillors K Anderson (Chairman), P J Blay, (Vice Chairman), A Bullen, M Callaghan, M J Crosby, G Davies, V Galligan, J Harding, D Hurst, T Muga, C Roberts, J Talbot and J Vickers

Opposition (2)

Conservatives (1)	Councillor R Whittingham
	Vacancy

(10) Audit, Governance and Standards Committee (Composition 8 Elected Members) plus 2 co-opted non-voting Parish Representatives (for Standards business) and 2 co-opted non-voting members (for Audit business)

Under Standards regime, the Council has appointed 2 Independent Persons to work closely with the Monitoring Officer and have advisory functions.

CIPFA guidance recommends that only 1 Member of Cabinet and 1 Member of the Confident Council Scrutiny Committee should sit on the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee.

Mandatory training for this Committee will take place on Monday 17 June 2024 at 2pm

Labour (7)	Councillors C Rigby (Chairman), P Draper (Vice Chairman), M Dawber, M McLoughlin, T Mugan, C Roberts and J Vickers

Opposition (1)

Independents Together (1)	Councillor S Jones
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Parish Councillors for Standards business (2)	Haigh – Parish Councillor B Darbyshire Shevington -TBC
Independent Members for Audit business (up to 2 places)	Mr W Anderton Vacancy

**(11) Honorary Aldermen Nominations Committee
(Composition 7 Elected Members)**

Labour (6)	Councillors C Ready (Chairman), D Anderton, K Anderson, L Flynn, Y Klieve and E Smethurst

Opposition (1)

Independent Network (1)	Councillor J Hodgkinson
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**(12) Establishment (Ad Hoc) Committee
(Composition 5 Elected Members)**

Labour (4)	Councillors D T Molyneux (Chairman), K Cunliffe, N Rehman and S Gambles

Opposition (1)

	Vacancy
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Other meetings:-

(13) Councillor Services Group (Composition 8 Elected Members):	
The Chairman of this Group should be the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for Member Development.	
Labour (6)	Councillors C Ready (Chairman), D Anderton, P Kenny, G Lloyd, N Rehman and C Roberts

Opposition (2)

Independent Network (1)	Councillor P Watson
Independents Together (1)	Councillor S Myler
(13) Constitutional Working Group (Composition 8 Elected Members):	
The Constitutional Working Group is not politically balanced and consists of 8 Members.	
Labour (6)	Councillors D T Molyneux, (Chairman), K Cunliffe, P Kenny, Y Klieve and E Smethurst and N Rehman

Opposition (2)

Independents Together (1)	Councillor R Brierley
Independent Network (1)	Councillor P Watson

PART 3 - SECTION 3 RESPONSIBILITY FOR COUNCIL (I.E. NON EXECUTIVE) FUNCTIONS

(14) Appointments (Ad Hoc) Committee

3.10 Responsibility for Council and Local Choice Functions – Officers

(a) Appointment of Chief Officer and Deputy Chief Officer or any other Officer who is accountable direct to a Chief Officer appointed under J.N.C. for Chief Officers Conditions. The longlist, final list of candidates for interview and appointment shall all be determined by a politically balanced Committee consisting of 7 Members (which would include the Executive Leader and Deputy Leader (subject to availability) and advised by the Chief Executive.

(b) The Mandatory Standing Order set out in Part 4 Officer Employment Procedure Rules shall apply. Some Council and Local Choice Functions are delegated to Officers. These are set out in Functions of Officers in respect of Executive Functions and Local Choice Functions. In so far as a Function is a Council Function or a Local Choice Function the Council delegates that Function to the Officers named in respect of it. In so far as a Function is an Executive Function the Leader delegates the Function to the Officers named in respect of it.

Membership for this is appointed as and when required.

Position as at May 2024