

**Council - 23 May 2018**

**Leader of the Council, Cabinet portfolios, other administration and Opposition appointments for 2018 - 19**

**Recommendations:**

**(1) To elect Councillor Lib Peck as Leader of the Council.**

**(2) To note the Cabinet appointments as made by the Leader of the Council and other group appointments**

**(3) To note Opposition appointments as set out in the report.**

### **Cabinet**

The Cabinet is made up of twelve elected Labour councillors, however only 10 will be acting in the capacity of Cabinet Member at any one time. They collectively make decisions, provide political leadership and implement policy through senior officers.

The Administration's commitment is to be ambitious for everyone and to guarantee fairness for all. The priorities are to:

- make our communities safer and stronger;
- realise more jobs and inward investment; and,
- ensure our neighbourhoods are cleaner and greener.

Portfolio title and Councillor name	Responsibilities include
<p><b>Leader of the Council</b> Cllr Lib Peck</p>	<p>Cllr Peck is responsible for setting the overall political and strategic direction for the council; acts as the lead spokesperson and manages external relations including with Government, the Greater London Assembly and local and regional bodies; as well as managing the council's relations with key stakeholders, partners and investors and holding the council's Chief Executive to account.</p> <p>The Leader oversees communications and public awareness campaigns. She is responsible for embedding equalities across all areas of council policy and oversees council strategy to deliver the ambitious recommendations of the council's Equality Commission.</p>
<p><b>Deputy Leader (Children and Young People)</b> Cllr Jennifer Brathwaite</p>	<p>Cllr Brathwaite is the statutory deputy leader for 2018/2019.</p> <p>Cllr Jennifer Brathwaite is also responsible for delivering our commitment to giving young people the best start in life. That includes the statutory role of lead member for children's services, powers and duties in relation to children looked after, and our commitment to improving the care of the borough's most vulnerable children and young people.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <p>Statutory lead member for children's services role, including responsibility for corporate parenting, child protection, children with disabilities and protecting children from sexual exploitation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) with Lambeth Clinical Commissioning Group</li> <li>• Special Education Needs (SEN) services.</li> <li>• Tackling child poverty.</li> <li>• Lambeth Early Action Partnership (LEAP) programme.</li> <li>• Overseeing youth, play and early years services, including children's centres, one o'clock clubs and adventure playgrounds, and the Coop Youth and Play Programme.</li> <li>• Working with the Young Lambeth Cooperative (YLC) to ensure young people are at the heart of decisions on the youth services provided in the borough.</li> <li>• Education and schools</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Deputy Leader (Jobs, Skills and Performance)</b> Cllr Jack Hopkins</p>	<p>Cllr Hopkins oversees the implementation of the Administration’s manifesto commitments, core council strategies, including the Borough Plan and monitoring performance. He is also responsible for the council’s ambitious agenda to increase jobs, skills and apprenticeships for Lambeth residents.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Programme of the Council: implementation of business plans and delivery of the Administration’s manifesto commitments.</li> <li>• Performance management across the council.</li> <li>• Developing &amp; delivering our apprenticeship programme in order to achieve our target of creating 1,500 apprenticeship opportunities over the next four years.</li> <li>• Delivery of a dedicated apprenticeships advice service and online brokerage to make it easier and simpler for young people to access opportunities.</li> <li>• Employment opportunities for vulnerable adults and people with disabilities.</li> <li>• Adult learning, training and skills.</li> <li>• Post-16 education, training and skills for employment in schools, colleges and other settings.</li> <li>• Directing the council’s employment programmes to provide increased opportunities for the long-term unemployed and those with complex needs.</li> <li>• Overseeing Lambeth Working and Pathways to Employment to ensure that our jobs strategy helps those in need.</li> <li>• Workforce matters including Human Resources, Trade Union relations and developing a BAME leadership programme for council staff.</li> </ul>
<p><i>Working with the Leader of the Council, The Deputy Leaders work across all areas providing support in the political and strategic leadership of the council</i></p>	

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<p><b>Cabinet Member for Planning and Investment</b> Cllr Matthew Bennett</p>	<p>Cllr Matthew Bennett is lead member for planning and leads on economic growth, strategic infrastructure, regeneration and the delivery of new homes in the borough.</p> <p>As lead member for planning Cllr Bennett is responsible for ensuring that Lambeth’s planning policy delivers sustainable growth, maximises the number of genuinely affordable new homes for local people and that the benefits from growth are fairly shared across the borough.</p> <p>Cllr Bennett is responsible for the borough’s economic development and growth, ensuring that Lambeth is a good place for businesses to thrive. He is responsible for regeneration schemes, including strategic infrastructure and transport.</p> <p>The council is committed to an ambitious programme of building new genuinely affordable homes at council rent. Matthew is responsible for the council’s wholly owned housing company, Homes for Lambeth, and for delivering our estate regeneration schemes, strategic housing projects and the small sites programme.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lead member for Planning.</li> <li>• Housing strategy and delivery; including affordable housing and housing growth and exploring new models for financing and delivering more homes.</li> <li>• Working with partners, including housing associations, to deliver more affordable homes.</li> <li>• Leadership of the borough’s own house building programme; including estate regeneration schemes, building 1,000 new council homes, Homes for Lambeth and delivery of all new housing schemes including the small sites programme.</li> <li>• Overseeing the borough’s strategic infrastructure needs; strategic transport planning and transport infrastructure; implementation of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and delivering Cooperative Local Investment Plans (CLIPs) to ensure the proceeds of growth are fairly shared across the borough.</li> <li>• Economic development including boosting trade in town centres; supporting small businesses, markets and Business Improvement Districts.</li> <li>• Regeneration schemes across the borough including transport schemes (Vauxhall and Waterloo), Future Brixton, visioning West Norwood and working with the Leader on Vauxhall Nine Elms Battersea.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care (job share)</b>  Cllr Edward Davie and Cllr Jacqui Dyer</p>	<p>Cllrs Davie and Dyer are responsible for health and adult social care and work together and with colleagues to ensure safe, efficient and effective services. Their strategic focus is to reduce health inequalities so that more residents enjoy longer, healthier lives. Key to achieving that aim is listening to and empowering our communities, service users and carers particularly those from deprived communities.</p> <p>They are responsible for deepening integration between adult social care and health services to deliver more efficient and joined-up services and leading on how the council and its partners work together to improve outcomes and reduce health inequalities.</p> <p>They are responsible for promoting public health in all policies, adult preventative healthcare, healthy lifestyles, preventing disease and improving general health.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statutory responsibility for adult social care of older people, people with disabilities and those with mental health issues.</li> <li>• Safeguarding and monitoring performance of all aspects of social care services for adults across the council and its partners.</li> <li>• Implementation of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.</li> <li>• Public Health services and promoting public health in all policies.</li> <li>• Leading on the pan-London HIV prevention programme and the Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham sexual health strategy.</li> <li>• Developing a carers' strategy to improve the quality of life, health and wellbeing of carers.</li> <li>• Integrating health and adult social care with NHS bodies.</li> <li>• Overseeing nationally directed changes to adult social care.</li> <li>• Leading the mental health strategy and mental health services.</li> <li>• Supporting implementation of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, supporting the lead on how the council and its partners work together to improve outcomes and reduce health inequalities, with particular attention to mental health.</li> <li>• Ensuring the council is effectively planning and delivering long term care for people with disabilities, including those children who require support throughout their lives.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Cabinet Member for the Voluntary Sector, Partnerships and Community Safety (job share)</b> Cllr Jim Dickson and Cllr Mohammed Seedat</p>	<p>Cllr Jim Dickson and Cllr Mohammed Seedat are responsible for leading on the borough’s strategic partnerships, working with key partners in Lambeth to deliver on the outcomes in our Borough Plan. They are responsible for working with the voluntary sector, community hubs and forums to develop a voluntary sector strategy for the borough and for our work with the voluntary sector to ensure our most vulnerable residents are protected and supported through significant national changes to the welfare system.</p> <p>The council has embarked an ambitious programme to modernise as an organisation and to modernise our services to respond to residents’ needs and our continued financial pressure due to government cuts. Cllrs Dickson and Seedat are responsible for leading on this organisational redesign programme, ensuring the council is more customer focused, more efficient and has an improved digital offer for residents.</p> <p>Keeping Lambeth residents safe is our top priority: Cllrs Dickson and Seedat will lead on our work with the community, the police, our partners and the Mayor of London to combat crime in Lambeth. That includes youth violence, community safety, crime reduction programmes, tackling violence against women and girls and tackling anti-social behaviour and hate crime.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lambeth’s voluntary sector strategy, support for the voluntary sector and the community asset transfer strategy.</li> <li>• Implementing the council’s flagship financial resilience strategy.</li> <li>• Overseeing the borough’s strategic partnerships including the Lambeth First Executive (LSP), the Health and Wellbeing Board and Safer Lambeth Partnership.</li> <li>• Developing a sponsorship and fundraising strategy to support the delivery of the borough plan.</li> <li>• Democratic Services: including electoral registration and legal services.</li> <li>• Digital transformation, including customer services.</li> <li>• Tackling anti-social behaviour.</li> <li>• Tackling hate crime, domestic violence and anti-social behaviour.</li> <li>• Overseeing our highly regarded Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy (VAWG).</li> <li>• Community safeguarding and the council’s enforcement functions including Trading Standards, Licensing and Noise Nuisance.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overseeing the Youth Offending Service (YOS) and gang intervention work.</li> <li>• Developing a new youth violence strategy using a public health approach to tackling the root causes of violent crime.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Cabinet Member for Housing</b> Cllr Paul Gadsby</p>	<p>Cllr Paul Gadsby is responsible for housing management services, including working with tenants and leaseholders, tackling homelessness and delivering decent homes for all tenants. He is also responsible for delivering the council's commitments to improving the quality and security of the private rented sector.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing management services and fire safety.</li> <li>• Managing the capital investment (LHS) programme to ensure delivery of decent homes for all housing tenants.</li> <li>• Overseeing the management of the Housing Revenue Account.</li> <li>• Overseeing Lambeth's homelessness, rough sleeping and temporary accommodation services.</li> <li>• Tackling homelessness and rough sleeping by overseeing the building of pop-up housing to quickly house homeless families and overseeing investment in better advice and support for people facing homelessness.</li> <li>• Improving the advice and support available to people living in the private rented sector.</li> <li>• Introducing a new private renters' charter setting out renters' rights and Lambeth's powers to intervene.</li> <li>• Overseeing tenant engagement and rent setting.</li> <li>• Ensuring a high standard of leaseholder engagement to improve the transparency and performance of the major works programme.</li> <li>• Overseeing the delivery of new resident boards and estate action plans to give tenants opportunities to scrutinize performance of contractors and the housing service.</li> <li>• Registered Social Landlords and House of Multiple Occupation (HMO) licensing.</li> <li>• The council's older people's housing schemes, sheltered housing and extra care housing across the borough.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Cabinet Member for Environment and Clean Air</b> Cllr Claire Holland</p>	<p>Cllr Claire Holland is responsible for improving all aspects of the local environment so residents can enjoy a cleaner and greener borough. She works with communities and residents to stimulate behaviour change and promote sustainability, cleaner air and cleaner streets.</p> <p>Cllr Holland leads on efforts to increase recycling rates and promote cycling. To combat air pollution she will oversee the installation of a new network of electric charging points, the planting of 1,000 new trees and installing clean air green screens at local primary schools.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member will also be responsible for the borough's road maintenance programme, continuing the council's investment in repairing roads and pavements to make them safe for pedestrians and cyclists. She will also oversee action to tackle enviro-crimes such as fly-tipping, littering and spitting.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing recycling rates and overseeing the council's waste strategy and street cleaning services.</li> <li>• Tackling environmental crime including fly-tipping, littering and dog fouling.</li> <li>• Tackling air pollution and overseeing the delivery of clean air green screens at local primary schools and the tree planting programme.</li> <li>• Promoting sustainability, overseeing the installation of a new network of electric car charging points and leading on efforts to reduce carbon as Lambeth seeks to become carbon neutral by 2050.</li> <li>• Making Lambeth the most cycle friendly borough in London, improving road safety, signage and street lighting.</li> <li>• Overseeing the borough's parking needs, including traffic management, enforcement and Controlled Parking Zones.</li> <li>• Overseeing a programme of road maintenance and repair through the capital investment programme.</li> <li>• Delivering public realm improvements to Lambeth's public spaces, including the council's community-led 'Our Streets' programme.</li> <li>• Delivering local transport schemes, overseeing the implementation of Lambeth's long term transport strategy and lobbying for improvements to Lambeth's rail network.</li> <li>• Utilities and contractor relations.</li> <li>• Championing affordable energy, including local schemes.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Cabinet Member for Finance</b> Cllr Andy Wilson</p>	<p>Cllr Wilson is responsible for oversight of the council's strategic financial management. This includes setting a balanced budget and monitoring the delivery of the capital investment programme.</p> <p>The council faces significant financial pressure over the next few years as a result of central government funding cuts. Cllr Wilson is responsible for ensuring the council's financial strategy can meet reforms to local government finance, including business rates reform. He also leads on the ambitious capital investment strategy, ensuring investment supports the delivery of the key outcomes identified in the Borough Plan, and on generating new income through investment, opportunity asset sites and adopting a corporate commercial framework or trading approach where appropriate.</p> <p>Cllr Wilson leads on the council's commitments as a London Living Wage Employer, including encouraging all Lambeth businesses to pay the Living Wage and our work with local Business Improvement Districts to promote Living Wage Zones.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The council's financial strategy, including budget setting, budget monitoring, financial policy and performance.</li> <li>• Revenue collection, business rates, council tax and benefits and Council Tax Support (CTS) underpinned by the council's Income and Debt Strategy.</li> <li>• Generating new income through investment, opportunity asset sites and adopting a corporate commercial framework or trading approach where appropriate.</li> <li>• Capital investment programme, property management and asset strategies</li> <li>• The council's commitments as a London Living Wage employer.</li> <li>• Ensuring the council's commissioning and procurement strategies provides social value through all of its activity and contracts.</li> <li>• Responsible for oversight of the council's strategic financial management. This includes setting a balanced budget and monitoring the delivery of the capital investment programme.</li> <li>• The Council's Pension Fund.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Cabinet Member for Equalities and Culture</b> Cllr Sonia Winifred</p>	<p>Cllr Sonia Winifred is responsible for the strategic approach to Lambeth’s rich and diverse cultural and tourism sectors. Cllr Sonia Winifred works with community groups to support the thriving arts and cultural communities. She is responsible for Lambeth’s library services and for our maintaining our fantastic parks and open spaces.</p> <p>Lambeth is an open and welcoming borough where people care about one another and we celebrate our diversity. Cllr Sonia Winifred is responsible for working with partners across the borough to make Lambeth more equal in including embedding equalities into all parts of the council’s work and delivering the work of the Equalities Commission and overseeing Equalities Impact Assessments.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Libraries, including delivering the opening of the new West Norwood Library.</li> <li>• Overseeing the development of a new modern archives service for the borough.</li> <li>• The borough’s parks, local food production and community composting schemes.</li> <li>• Registrars, cemeteries and crematorium services.</li> <li>• Working with organisations in the borough’s thriving arts and cultural communities including the Black Cultural Archives.</li> <li>• Delivering the Events Strategy.</li> <li>• Overseeing Sports and Leisure.</li> <li>• Delivering the work of the Equalities Commission and overseeing Equalities Impact Assessments (EIA).</li> <li>• Celebrating our borough’s diversity, for example leading on the delivering the celebrations of the Windrush 70.</li> <li>• Chair of the Equalities Impact Assessment Panel.</li> </ul>

\*These are the principal responsibilities of the Cabinet Members. The Leader of the Council may delegate others to them.

*Deputy Cabinet Members are responsible for working closely with the appropriate Cabinet Member, undertaking specific projects to drive process in these areas and deputising where agreed.*

*The role of Policy Leads is to support the delivery of the council's key priorities. They support policy development and implementation and underpin joint working at Cabinet level by engaging with external stakeholders and backbench councillors on key policy areas. They report directly to the Deputy Leader (Jobs, Skills and Performance).*

<b>Councillor Name</b>	<b>Portfolio and reporting to</b>
Cllr Ben Kind	Deputy Cabinet Member leading on Schools; reporting to Cllr Jennifer Brathwaite
Cllr Jane Pickard	Deputy Cabinet Member leading on Youth and Play; reporting to Cllr Jennifer Brathwaite
Cllr Christiana Valcarcel	Deputy Cabinet Member leading on disability; reporting to Cllr Sonia Winifred
Cllr Malcom Clark	Policy Lead, leading on Sustainability; Reporting to Cllr Hopkins
Cllr Jon Davies	Policy Lead, leading on Living Wage; Reporting to Cllr Hopkins
Cllr Anna birley	Policy Lead, leading on Private Rented Sector; Reporting to Cllr Hopkins

### **Group Officers**

#### **Labour Group**

Group Leader:	Councillor Lib Peck
Deputy Leader (Children and Young People):	Councillor Jennifer Brathwaite ( <i>statutory Deputy Leader for 2018/19</i> )
Deputy Leader (Jobs, Skills and Performance):	Councillor Jack Hopkins
Chief Whip:	Councillor Jane Edbrooke
Deputy Chief Whip:	Councillor Rezina Chowdhury
Deputy Chief Whip:	Councillor Jessica Leigh

#### **Green Group**

Group Leader:	Councillor Jonathan Bartley
Deputy Leader:	Councillor Becca Thackray
Standards/Monitoring:	Councillor Scott Ainslie