

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO:	Cabinet
DATE:	20 th December 2021
SUBJECT:	Revised Cabinet Portfolios and Responsibilities 2021-22
CHIEF OFFICER:	Angela Wakefield, Monitoring Officer
CONTACT OFFICER:	Nick Pontone, Democratic Services Lead
WARD(S):	All
PORTFOLIO:	Leader of the Council
KEY DECISION:	NO
EXEMPT:	NO
DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL IN:	NO
APPENDICES:	A – revised Cabinet portfolios

1 **Summary and Recommendations**

1.1 To advise the Cabinet of revised portfolios and the Members responsible for them.

Recommendations:

Cabinet is requested to resolve:

- (a) That the Cabinet note the revised portfolios and responsible Lead Members as appointed by the Leader of the Council.
- (b) That the appointment of Councillor Pavitar Kaur Mann as Deputy Leader of the Council be noted.

Reason:

To report to Cabinet the decisions of the Leader of the Council regarding revised portfolio responsibilities.

2 **Report**

Introduction

- 2.1 At the Council meeting on 23rd November 2021, Councillor Swindlehurst was re-elected as Leader of the Council for a new term of office to the local government elections in May 2023.
- 2.2 In accordance with Article 7 (The Executive) of the Council's Constitution, the Leader will "...determine the size and membership of the Cabinet, will appoint

Members to the Cabinet and appoint one of those Members as the Deputy Leader. The Leader will determine the allocation of responsibilities for each Lead Member.” This report sets out the decisions of the Leader in respect of these matters following his re-election on 23rd November 2021.

- 2.3 In consultation with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) Commissioners, the Council Leader announced on 10th December that he would be making changes to the portfolios and responsibilities of members of his Cabinet, which are set out in this report.
- 2.4 The Leader has confirmed that the above changes come into immediate effect upon being noted by Cabinet, with Lead Members familiarising themselves with their revised responsibilities until the end of December to enable them to become fully operational from 1st January 2022.

Options considered

The Cabinet is receiving this report to note the decisions of the Leader of Council in relation to his Cabinet. The Leader of the Council considered the options for revising Lead Member portfolios, and consulted the DLUHC Commissioners, prior to confirming the portfolios set out in the report.

Background

- 3.1 The Leader has determined the number of Councillors appointed to the Cabinet and the portfolios they will hold as follows:

Councillor Swindlehurst	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Forward Strategy & Corporate Resources
Councillor Mann	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Transport, Planning & Place
Councillor Akram	Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture & Communities
Councillor Anderson	Cabinet Member for Financial Oversight, Council Assets & Performance
Councillor Bains	Cabinet Member for Regulation & Public Protection
Councillor Carter	Cabinet Member for Housing & Environment
Councillor Hulme	Cabinet Member for Children’s Services, Lifelong Learning and Skills
Councillor Pantelic	Cabinet Member for Social Care & Public Health

3.2 The full list of Cabinet portfolios is set out in Appendix A.

3. Implications of the Recommendation

3.1 Financial implications

3.1.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

3.2 Legal implications

3.2.1 The recommendations within this report meet legal requirements. The Constitution provides for the Leader of the Council to appoint Cabinet Members and the portfolios they will hold as set out in Article 7.

4. Background Papers

None.

Revised Lead Member Portfolios (from Cabinet on 20th December 2021)

Leader – Forward Strategy & Corporate Resources (Councillor Swindlehurst)

- Forward Strategy (including 2040 Vision)
- Council Communications
- Legal, Democratic & Member Services
- Council Constitution, Policy & Scrutiny Support
- Local Government Relationships
- Human Resources
- Organisational Transformation, IT & e-government
- Customer Services SBC Service recovery post-covid
- Strategic Recovery Plan & SBC Localities Strategy
- Economic Development & Inward Investment (including relationship with Thames Valley Berkshire LEP)

Deputy Leader and Transport, Planning & Place

(Councillor Mann)

- Public Transport & Active Travel
- Council Fleet Management & Future Transport Planning
- Taxi & Minicab Licensing
- Cycling & Walking Strategies & Plans
- Relationships with Bus & Rail Operators
- Surface Access to Heathrow Airport
- Highway Maintenance/Street-works
- Street-lighting
- Regional & Sub-Regional Plans
- Planning & Development Management
- Slough Local Plan Preparation & Place Strategy
- Town Centre Management and 'Meanwhile' Uses

Leisure, Culture & Communities

(Councillor Akram)

- Leisure & Sports Facilities
- Parks and Open Spaces
- Grounds Maintenance
- Allotments
- Arts & Cultural Strategies
- Community Hubs (delivery/operations)
- Community Events & Engagement
- Equalities
- Partnerships with the Voluntary, Community/Charitable Sector & Social Enterprises

Financial Oversight, Council Assets & Performance

(Councillor Anderson)

- Budget Strategy & Financial Planning
- Financial Governance & Oversight
- SBC Financial Recovery Plan
- Corporate Landlord Function
- Capital Programme
- Council Asset Planning & Asset Disposals
- Commercial Companies and Investments
- Procurement
- Performance Management & Reporting
- Corporate Accounts (Including SBC Companies)
- Audit (including Relationship with External Auditors)

Regulation & Public Protection

(Councillor Bains)

- Consumer Protection
- Enforcement Services
- Trading Standards
- Food Safety
- Overall Responsibility for Licensing Services
- Coroner, Crematorium & Registrar
- Building Control/Building Regulations
- Emergency Planning
- Prevent
- ASB, Community Safety & Crime Reduction
- Relationship with the Police
- Fire Safety and relationship with the Fire Service

Housing & Environment

(Councillor Carter)

- Homelessness Prevention & Rough Sleeping
- Social Housing Supply (HRA Development Programme)
- SBC Housing Companies (operational/housing matters)
- Housing Repairs Services & Estate Management
- Private Sector Housing Regulation/standards
- Council-Managed Neighbourhood Shopping Parades
- Public Realm Standards & Strategy
- Air Quality & Climate Change
- Council Environmental Services
- Waste Management/Refuse Collection/Recycling
- Energy Efficiency & Decarbonisation
- Flood Prevention

Children's Services, Lifelong Learning & Skills

(Councillor Hulme)

- Education, Early Years & SEND services
- School Admissions, School Places & Attendance
- School Improvement
- Corporate Parenting, Foster Care, Adoption
- Youth Engagement
- Children's Centres, Nurseries, Play Strategy
- Children & Young People's Safeguarding
- Early Intervention
- Unaccompanied Asylum Seekers
- Slough Children's Company (Slough Children First)
- Library Service, Careers Services and Lifelong Learning
- Skills Training and Apprenticeships

Social Care & Public Health

(Councillor Pantelic)

- Adult Social & Community Care
- Older People's Services
- Adult Safeguarding
- Careline
- Disabilities
- Mental Health
- Substance Misuse Services
- Prevention & Public Health
- Health & Wellbeing Partnerships
- Relationships with NHS & Ambulance Services