

# **Merton Council Council**

**3 February 2016**

## **Supplementary agenda**

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**Committee: Council**

**Date: 3 February 2016**

**Subject: Changes to Membership of Committees and related matters (Additional)**

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**Recommendations:**

B. notes that the Executive Leader has made an amendment to his Cabinet and their respective portfolios – (Appendix A).

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report asks the Council to note that the Executive Leader of the Council has made an amendment to his Cabinet and their respective portfolios as detailed in Appendix A

## **Cabinet Portfolios**

### **1. Leader of the Council – Councillor Stephen Alambritis**

### **2. Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance – Councillor Mark Allison**

Leading on the change management agenda with responsibility for driving through value for money and efficiency within the council and cutting out waste and bureaucracy. Leading on the budget, including the development of revenue, capital and debt management strategies. Responsible for corporate finance, IT and audit, human resources, civic and legal services, and risk management. Driving improvements in council performance and leading performance review meetings. Responsible for customer satisfaction and provision of good quality services. Monitoring progress of council wide strategic approach to customer services and community support and access. Responsible for effective communication with residents.

### **3. Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health – Councillor Caroline Cooper-Marbiah**

Community care services including relations with local Primary Care Trust, Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and health organisations and protecting local hospital services. Healthy living schemes. Social services for adults, services for adults with learning disabilities and mental health services. Older people's services including support for carers, day care for the elderly and meals on wheels, working alongside the National Health Service. Leading on personalisation and choice issues. Public Health and Health and Wellbeing Board.

### **4. Cabinet Member for Children's Services – Councillor Maxi Martin**

Covering the full statutory role as lead member for Children. Development of the Children's Trust. Overall responsibility for tackling child poverty. Children's care services and disabled children, including Special Educational Needs. Early years and childcare, extended schools and children's centres. Leading on improvement in youth services. Responsible for youth justice. Corporate parenting and ensuring our looked after children succeed. Ensuring strong prevention work with families, supported by partners. Strong safeguarding through Local Safeguarding Children's Board partnership. Delivering purposeful intervention to prevent care and promote permanency.

**5. Cabinet Member for Community and Culture – Councillor Nick Draper**

Leading on libraries including: ensuring that library services are accessible to all; supervising investment, improvement and building on new technology in libraries. Maximising use of library buildings. Leisure operations and development. Olympics legacy. Arts and culture development. Heritage and tourism. Ensuring licensing policy and its consequences work in the interests of all citizens. Responsible for housing strategy, developing relations with Housing Associations and promoting the needs of tenants and leaseholders. Ensuring delivery of promises by Merton Priory Homes. Housing needs. Ensuring sufficient supply of affordable housing.

**6. Cabinet Member for Community Safety, Engagement and Equalities – Councillor Edith Macauley**

Community partnerships including specific focus on voluntary sector. Looking into the management of grants to community groups. Looking at decisions of Grants Committee and Merton Compact Board. Development of Controlled Drinking Zones. Reducing the threat of crime and anti-social behaviour in Merton and working closely with Police and Community Safety partnerships. Leading on community engagement, including Community Plan, and increased participation in local decision making. Engaging young people in the life of the community eg Youth Parliament and their responsibilities as part of the whole community. Ensuring all equalities strands (gender, race, disability, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, pregnancy/maternity, religion/belief and age) are embedded throughout council performance.

**7. Cabinet Member for Education – Councillor Martin Whelton**

Overarching management of education. Leading on the planning, development and expansion of the schools estate. Raising standards at each key stage in schools, especially GCSE KS4. Championing fair access. Strategic schools issues. Responsibility for Smart Centre (PRU) and exclusions. Governor training and support. School meals and sports and fitness. 14-19 agenda including skills. Improving scope of adult education service, encouraging participation and provision for all, including improving transitions for those previously excluded from education into mainstream education, work and training.

## **8. Cabinet Member for Environmental Cleanliness and Parking – Councillor Judy Saunders**

Ensuring implementation of key pledges including improving the street scene, bulky waste collection, improved street sweeping, tackling fly-tipping and graffiti and fair parking charges. Lead member for parking services and for developing the council's parking management strategy including the parking charter. Lead member on waste services including commercial waste and all other waste operations and leading on the introduction of high-tech bins in parks and working with businesses on time banded collections. Also leading on trading standards and commercial environmental health.

**In addition** – In any temporary absence of Councillor Maxi Martin, Councillor Judy Saunders to act as Cabinet Member for Children's Services with full delegations as set out above at 4.

## **9. Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability and Regeneration – Councillor Andrew Judge**

Leading on improving the physical environment in which people live and work. Ensuring maximum recycling and utilization of waste, leading on waste contracts. Ensuring the maximum of renewable and low carbon energy. Protecting the fauna and flora in our natural environments. Encouraging sustainable activity by local community groups in allotments, parks and open spaces, including, where appropriate, the transfer of assets to community trusts. Lead on asset management, traffic and highways, fleet transport and transport planning, development and building control, spatial policy, green spaces. Leading on regeneration and neighbourhood renewal initiatives including Colliers Wood/South Wimbledon and Mitcham and Morden town centres. Overseeing major projects in Wimbledon. Building a vision in conjunction with local residents for the future of our neighbourhoods. Economic Development. Liaison with and support of the Business Community.