

Leader and Cabinet

Attached is a list of the Cabinet Members, their Deputies and the Portfolios of Responsibilities.

1. **Leader of the Council: David Finch**
Deputy – Anthony Jackson
2. **Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Skills, Infrastructure and the Digital Economy: Kevin Bentley**
Deputy – Gagan Mohindra
3. **Health and Adult Social Care: John Spence**
Deputy – Chris Whitbread
4. **Education: Ray Gooding**
Deputy – Tony Ball
5. **Resources: Louise McKinley**
Deputy – Alan Goggin
6. **Children and Families: Dick Madden**
Deputy – Penny Channer
7. **Culture, Communities and Customer: Susan Barker**
Deputy – Mark Durham
8. **Housing, Property and Planning: Sue Lissimore**
Deputies – Lesley Wagland and Ricki Gadsby
9. **Environment and Waste: Simon Walsh**
Deputy – Mike Steptoe
10. **Highways: Ian Grundy**
Deputy – Robert Mitchell

Portfolios 2017

Leader of the Council

- The overall strategic direction, policies and priorities of the Cabinet and of Council, including the overall corporate revenue and capital budget strategy of the Authority
- To appoint Council representatives on key external bodies such as the Health and Wellbeing Board, the South East Local Enterprise Partnership and the Essex Partnership Board.
- Service Transformation including Digital and technology
- Business Improvement and Design
- Project and Programme Management
- Policy, Strategy, Internal and External Communications, Marketing and Public Affairs
- Performance and Business Intelligence
- Research, Development and Innovation
- Democratic engagement and representation
- Garden Communities
- Equalities and Diversity
- Partnerships (public sector reform)
- Liaison with HM Government, Essex MPs and district, city, borough, parish and town councils
- To act as shareholder to Essex companies and other legal entities
- The functions of other portfolio holders in their absence or in an emergency or in any other circumstances where the Leader thinks it is desirable to act on any matter

Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Skills, Infrastructure and the Digital Economy

- Matters of strategic, regional or countywide significance in relation to integrated spatial development and economic growth
- Economic development and regeneration

- Enterprise, international trade and inward investment
- Localities
- Post 16 skills and apprenticeships (including the Essex Employment and Skills Board)
- Smart Places
- Digital Economy
- Digital Development
- Market Development
- Business Incubator
- Rail Strategy
- Ports and Airports
- Infrastructure Commissioning and Delivery (over £500k)
- Transport Strategy and Local Transport Plan
- Highways capital programme (non-maintenance schemes over £500k).
- To act as the Council's representative on the South East Local Enterprise Partnership and the Essex Partnership Board, on behalf of the Leader.
- Liaison with business community and sub-regional partnerships (Thames Gateway, West Essex, Haven Gateway and Heart of Essex)
- Superfast Essex broadband programme

Health and Adult Social Care

- Adult social care, including the support of and assistance of people with learning or physical disabilities or sensory impairment and older people and the homeless.
- Adult Social Care Service Transformation
- Care homes
- Safeguarding vulnerable adults
- Joint commissioning and joint contracting

- Support to Carers
- Health system reform, integration and partnerships
- Health Improvement and Protection
- Health Inequality Reduction
- Public Health
- Mental health services
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- Child health-related matters
- Drug and Alcohol Action Team
- Adults and Health Capital Programmes
- Appointed by the Leader to act as the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Education

- Mainstream schools and education including: diversity, organisation, planning and admissions; standards and achievement; attendance; 14-19 provision; transport for educational purposes; behaviour and education welfare services
- Early Years and pre-school
- Special Schools
- Special Education Needs provision, including specialist and complex services in mainstream schools
- School improvement
- Alternative Provision
- Schools Safeguarding Operations
- Adult Community Learning
- Raising the Participation Age
- Sport and physical activity including Active Essex

- Youth services and careers advice
- School crossing patrols
- Education Capital Programmes
- School Admissions and Transport Awards
- Essex Education Services
- Passenger Transport, including buses and concessionary fares

Resources

- Responsibility for financial administration and management including preparation and management of the revenue and capital budgets, precepts, levies and borrowing
- Funding and Investment
- Financial management and reporting
- Internal audit and Counter Fraud
- Procurement and commercial services
- Risk and business resilience including emergency planning
- Insurance
- Category Management
- Supplier Relationship and Contract Management
- HR
- Democratic Services
- Information Governance
- Facilities Management
- Business Support
- Systems Admin
- Enterprise Architecture
- IT Service Delivery

- IT Projects
- Systems, Compliance and Customer
- Legal Services
- Income and Revenues Optimisation
- Strategic Commercial Partnerships
- Mergers and Acquisitions

Children and Families

- Children's social care, including , but not limited to: the safeguarding of children; looked after children; services to vulnerable children and young people and their families; and adoption and fostering
- Statutory lead member for children's services
- Preventative services, including early intervention and the development of services for families with complex needs
- Corporate Parenting
- Pre-birth, 0 -19 services
- Youth Offending
- Schools Safeguarding Strategy
- Domestic Violence
- Children and Families Capital Programmes

Culture, Communities and Customer

- Heritage, Culture and the Arts
- Tourism
- Libraries and Community Hubs
- Registration services
- Trading Standards
- Safer Communities
- Community Resilience

- Community Leadership and Community Strategy
- Voluntary and Community Sector Relations
- Community engagement
- Lead member for armed forces liaison and engagement (military covenant)
- Libraries
- Registration services
- Telephone and Digital Access
- Customer Services
- Coroner
- User Experience
- Community Initiatives Fund

Housing, Property and Planning

- Housing Growth and Strategic Sites
- Housing strategy, development and investment
- Essex Housing
- Strategic spatial planning, including responses to local plans
- Future Development
- Sustainable Development
- Minerals and Waste Planning
- Property
- Property Strategy
- Gypsy and Travellers
- Waste and mineral planning

Environment and Waste

- Waste minimisation, disposal and recycling

- Integrated Waste Management
- Waste Strategy
- Waste Programme Delivery
- Built Environment and Historic Environment
- Natural Environment
- Energy and Emissions reduction
- Flood Management
- Flooding
- SUDS
- Country Parks and Green Spaces
- Essex Outdoors
- Place Services
- Rural Affairs

Highways

- Park and Ride
- Traffic regulation
- Parking
- Cycling
- Street lighting
- Public rights of way (bridleways, footpaths and byways)
- Road Safety
- Maintenance of highways, public rights of way and structures.
- Highways and Transport schemes (under £500k)
- Local Highways Panels
- Highways capital maintenance programme