

DECISION BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

PRESENT: Councillor Munsif Dad BEM JP, Leader of the Council
Julian Joinson, Member Services Manager

Subject: APPOINTMENT OF CABINET 2025-2026

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To determine the size of the Cabinet.
- 1.2 To appoint the members of the Cabinet.
- 1.3 To allocate portfolios or areas of responsibility to the Cabinet Members.

2. Background

- 2.1 Under the Leader and Cabinet Executive model adopted by the Council, which came into effect on 9th May 2011, the Leader of the Council is now responsible for determining the size of the Cabinet, appointing Members to Cabinet and allocating Portfolios.

3. Reasons for Decision

- 3.1 These are set out in Paragraph 2 above.

4. Decision

- 4.1 That the Cabinet will comprise eight members.
- 4.2 That the membership and portfolio responsibilities of the Cabinet Members, as determined by me, are listed in the attached Appendix.
- 4.3 That Councillor Melissa Fisher be designated statutory Deputy Leader.

Decision made by:



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Councillor Munsif Dad BEM JP
Leader of the Council

Date: 21st May 2025

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LABOUR CABINET MEMBERSHIP AND PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES **2025/26**

Cabinet Member	Portfolio
Councillor Munsif Dad BEM JP	Leader of the Council <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overall responsibility for the Council's strategic and corporate direction• Planning & Transportation• Local Government Reorganisation
Councillor Melissa Fisher (Deputising for the Leader of the Council) (Statutory deputy for the purposes of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007)	Deputy Leader of the Council Housing and Regeneration <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental Health• Housing and neighbourhoods• Liaison with housing associations and private sector housing providers• Health and social care• Licensing• Renewal and Regeneration• Leisure in Hyndburn
Councillor Kimberley Whitehead	Deputy Leader of the Council Culture, Heritage and Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Culture, Heritage and Arts• Cohesion and integration• Events• Dome Project
Councillor Clare Pritchard	Transformation and Town Centres <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Levelling Up Fund – Project Completion• Town Centre Masterplan• Accrington Town Centre & Market Hall Project• Town Centres and Markets• Community Safety• Police & Crime Commissioner

Cabinet Member	Portfolio
Councillor Scott Brerton	Business, Growth and Sustainability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Development and Growth • Net Zero, Climate Change and Sustainability • Business Support • Community Wealth Building • Education Skills • Employment and Worklessness • Tourism
Councillor Vanessa Alexander	Resources and Council Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance and the budget process • IT • Audit function • Human resources and organisational development • Revenues and Benefits Service • Asset management and maintenance • Customer focus
Councillor Stewart Eaves	Environmental Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CVMU • Grounds maintenance • Waste management and enforcement • Refuse and recycling collections • Street cleaning • Pest Control • Parks and open spaces • Cemeteries and crematoria • Health and Safety
Councillor Ethan Rawcliffe	People and Communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allotments and Prospects • Older people and vulnerable adults • Children, young people and families • Community and Voluntary Sector Liaison