

COMMITTEES LIST - May 2026 to May 2027

Mayor and Deputy as ex-officio on all	Mayor	Stephen Shing
Mayor and Deputy as ex-officio on all	Deputy Mayor	Dan Dunbar
Finance and Policy Committee <i>At least once per year prior to budgets</i> Delegated Authority	Chair Vice Chair	Douglas Murray David Watts Stephen Shing Dan Dunbar Malcolm Cunningham Jamie Keen Graeme Archer Mickey Caira Wilfred Heasman O'Neill James Heward
Planning Committee <i>(as and when)</i> Delegated Authority	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat Ex-officio seat	David Watts Maggie Piper Douglas Murray Cherie Berry James Heward Jamie Keen Graeme Archer Malcolm Cunningham Wilfred Heasman O'Neill Mickey Caira <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Personnel Committee <i>(as and when)</i> Delegated Authority	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat	Cherie Berry Douglas Murray Maggie Piper Daniel Shing Dan Dunbar <i>Stephen Shing</i>
Climate Committee <i>(as and when, to report back to full council)</i> No delegated authority	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat	Douglas Murray Stephen Shing Maggie Piper Malcolm Cunningham Andrew O'Kane James Heward <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Communities and Tourism Committee Delegated	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat	Douglas Murray David Watts Maggie Piper Cherie Berry Malcolm Cunningham Andrew Wood Jamie Keen Andrew O'Kane Mickey Caira Dan Dunbar <i>Stephen Shing</i>

Buildings and Land Committee Finance to be approved through Finance Committee Delegated	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat Ex-officio seat	Douglas Murray David Watts Dan Dunbar Maggie Piper Andrew Wood Jamie Keen James Heward Graeme Archer <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Appeals Committee Delegate Authority		3 Councillors
Christmas Lights Committee (report to finance on finances beyond budget) Delegated	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat Ex-officio seat	VACANT Maggie Piper Cherie Berry Malcolm Cunningham James Heward <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Street Lighting Committee Delegated within budgets Smaller Items delegated to the Clerk		David Watts Douglas Murray Malcolm Cunningham Andrew O’Kane James Heward <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Flower Contract Working Group Delegated authority through the Town Clerk	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat	Dan Dunabr Maggie Piper Cherie Berry <i>Stephen Shing</i>
Business Plan Working Group No Delegated Authority Delegate to the Clerk	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat	Douglas Murray David Watts Dan Dunbar Maggie Piper James Heward Wilfred Heasman O’Neill <i>Stephen Shing</i>
Internal Audit Review and Internal Control Working Group including Financial Regulations No delegated through Clerk	Chair Vice Chair Ex-officio seat Ex-officio seat	David Watts Douglas Murray <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Website Working Group (delegated through the clerk)	 Ex-officio seat	Dan Dunbar David Watts James Heward (Town Clerk) <i>Stephen Shing</i>
Neighbouring Plan (Principles of development) working group Delegated through the Clerk to take forward – financial to come back to Full Council	Chair Ex-officio seat Ex-officio seat	Douglas Murray Maggie Piper Jamie Keen James Heward Andrew Wood <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>

Devolution Working Group No Delegated Authority		Dan Dunbar Stephen Shing James Heward Jamie Keen Maggie Piper Graeme Archer Andrew Wood Andrew O’Kane Douglas Murray David Watts Daniel Shing Wilfred Heasman O’Neill Cherie Berry Malcolm Cunningham Mickey Caira
New Land Working Group No Delegated Authority	Ex-officio seat	Douglas Murray David Watts Dan Dunbar Maggie Piper Andrew Wood Jamie Keen James Heward Graeme Archer <i>Stephen Shing</i>
Libraries Working Group (delegated through the Clerk)	Ex-officio seat	David Watts Cherie Berry Malcolm Cunningham Andrew O’Kane Stephen Shing James Heward Stephen Shing <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
Jubilee Nature Reserve Working Group No Delegated Authority		James Heward Maggie Piper Dan Dunbar Douglas Murray Lisa Sargent Stephen Shing
Risk Management Working Group No Delegated authority	Ex-officio seat Ex-officio seat	David Watts Maggie Piper Malcolm Cunningham Andrew Wood <i>Stephen Shing</i> <i>Dan Dunbar</i>
CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) Working Group No Delegated authority		Douglas Murray David Watts Dan Dunbar Stephen Shing Jamie Keen Wilfred Heasman O’Neill
Conservative Group Leader		David Watts
Independents Group Leader		Daniel Shing
Polegate Residents’ Association Group Leader		Dan Dunbar
Liberal Democrats		Andrew O’Kane
Reform UK Leader		Mickey Caira

Reminder:

All councillors may attend any meeting, but only members of the committee are entitled to vote.

Councillors are not entitled to receive any confidential papers or information relating to a committee or group of which they are not a member (Legal Topic Notes 1 and 12).

Where a confidential or exempt session is held, councillors who are not members of the committee are not entitled to remain in the meeting for that item.