

MEMBERS APPOINTMENTS – 2026/27

Chair of the Council
Vice Chair of the Council

Councillor David Moore
Councillor Debbie Darby

PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Strategy Performance and Finance

Heritage, Culture & the Arts

Climate and the Environment
Sustainable Economic Development
Housing
Health, Wellbeing & Leisure
Public Protection & Community Relations
Corporate Services

Councillor Paul Peacock
(Leader of the Council)
Councillor Rowan Cozens
(Deputy Leader of the Council)
Councillor Simon Forde
Councillor Claire Penny
Councillor Lee Brazier
Councillor Susan Crosby
Councillor Paul Taylor
Councillor Peter Harris

CONSERVATIVE GROUP

Leader
Deputy Leader

Councillor Jack Kellas
Councillor Roger Jackson

LABOUR GROUP

Leader
Deputy Leader

Councillor Paul Peacock
Councillor Lee Brazier

INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT

Leader

Councillor Simon Forde

LIBERAL DEMOCRAT GROUP

Leader
Deputy Leader

Councillor Peter Harris
Councillor Keith Melton

NEWARK & SHERWOOD DISTRICT INDEPENDENTS

Leader

Councillor Debbie Darby

REFORM

Leader

Councillor Kay Smith

Note Paragraph 1.1 of the Constitution

1.1 Appointment and Term of Office

- 1.1.1 The Leader is elected by the Council and holds office for a four-year period starting on the day of their election as Leader at an Annual Meeting of the Council, unless their term of office as a Councillor is shorter, in which case the term of office as Leader will be the same as their term of office as a Councillor.
- 1.1.2 The Leader's period of office will cease at an earlier date if they
- i. resign from the office; or
 - ii. are no longer a Councillor; or
 - iii. are removed from office by resolution of the Council.
- 1.1.3 If there is a vacancy in the position of Leader, the Council will elect a Leader at the first meeting following such vacancy.

MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

POLICY & PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE						
CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	N&S INDS	REFORM	IND - NON-ALIGNED / GREEN
1. S. Haynes	1. A. Brazier	1. J. Hall	1. K. Roberts	1. T. Thompson	1. K. Smith	1. R. Holloway
2. R. Jackson	2. C. Brooks	2. D. Moore				
3. P. Rainbow	3. A. Freeman	3. N. Ross (V/C)				
4. T. Wendels	4. M. Pringle (C)					
SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES
1. N. Allen	1. M. Shakeshaft		1. K. Melton	1. D. Darby	1. M. Home	
2. S. Michael	2. L. Tift					
PLANNING COMMITTEE						
CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	N&S INDS	REFORM	IND - NON-ALIGNED / GREEN
1. N. Allen	1. A. Brazier	1. S. Forde	1. K. Melton		1. M. Home	1. M. Spors
2. L. Dales	2. C. Brooks	2. D. Moore (V/C)				
3. P. Rainbow	3. A. Freeman (C)					
4. S. Saddington	4. M. Shakeshaft					
5. T. Wildgust	5. L. Tift					
LICENSING COMMITTEE						
CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	N&S INDS	REFORM	IND - NON-ALIGNED / GREEN
1. N. Allen	1. A. Brazier	1. J. Hall (C)	1. K. Roberts	1. D. Darby (V/C)		1. J. Lee
2. R. Jackson	2. L. Brazier					1. M. Spors
3. S. Michael	3. R. Cozens					
4. S. Saddington	4. P. Taylor					
5. T. Wildgust	5. L. Tift					
AUDIT & ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE*						
CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	N&S INDS	REFORM	IND - NON-ALIGNED / GREEN
1. N. Allen	1. M. Shakeshaft	1. S. Forde	1. K. Melton (C)	1. D. Darby		1. J. Lee
2. S. Michael	2. L. Tift (V/C)					
3. T. Wendels						

GOVERNANCE, GENERAL PURPOSES & LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION						
CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	N&S INDS	REFORM	IND - NON-ALIGNED / GREEN
1. S. Haynes	1. A. Freeman	1. S. Crosby	1. P. Harris	1. T. Thompson	1. K. Smith	1. R. Holloway (C)
2. J. Kellas	2. P. Peacock	2. D. Moore				
3. P. Rainbow (V/C)	3. M. Pringle					
SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES	SUBSTITUTES
1. L. Dales	1. L. Brazier	1. S. Forde	1. K. Melton	1. D. Darby	1. M. Home	
2. T. Wildgust	2. M. Shakeshaft					
BOARD OF GILSTRAP TRUSTEES^						
CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	INDEPENDENTS FOR NEWARK & DISTRICT	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	N&S INDS	REFORM	IND - NON-ALIGNED / GREEN
1. S. Haynes	1. P. Taylor				1. M. Home	1. I. Brown
2. J. Kellas						
MANSFIELD AND DISTRICT CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE#						
CABINET						
1. L. Brazier						
2. S. Crosby						
3. P. Peacock						

TENANT INFLUENCE & ASSURANCE BOARD

Membership to comprise of the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for housing and three representatives to be appointed by the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee (with relevant tenant and officer representation, in accordance with the Terms of Reference).

PLANNING POLICY BOARD

Membership to comprise of the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for planning policy and four representatives to be appointed by the Planning Committee and four representatives to be appointed by the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee.

Notes:

1. C = Chair
2. VC = Vice-Chair
- * The Audit & Accounts Committee includes 1 co-opted independent member (non-voting).
- ^ Newark Ward Members not appointed to sit on the Trustee Board as non-voting co-optees.
- # The Mansfield Crematorium Joint Committee is an Executive Function which does not need to reflect political balance and will comprise of Executive Members.