



WESTON-SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL

Committee Membership 2026/2027 and Representation on Outside Bodies

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(NB Political group column indicative only (based on method of calculation for principal councils) but can be changed by agreement of Town Council/Groups)

No. of Members	Political Group	Town Councillor	Role of the Committee/Sub/CCG/SFG Responsible for/to	Meeting Frequency
Finance and General Purposes Committee (Quorum 5)			Role: The overall purpose of this standing committee is to ensure that the council's finances, resources and statutory obligations are conducted in accordance with legislation, statutory regulations and good practice, and to administer services, which are not the responsibility of the other standing committees.	Bi-monthly
1	LAB	Catherine Gibbons		
2	LAB	Ciaran Cronnelly (C)		
3	LAB	Charlie Williams		
4	LAB	Robert Skeen		
5	CON	Gill Bute		
6	CON	Peter Crew		
7	CON	John Standfield		
8	LIB DEM	John Crockford-Hawley (VC)		
9	LIB DEM	Mark Canniford		
10	LIB DEM	Robert Payne		
Planning and Environment Committee (Quorum 5)			Role: The overall purpose of this standing committee is: (a) to ensure informed local knowledge is brought to bear on planning and licensing applications and to convey those views in a timely way to the appropriate authority; (b) to ensure local knowledge is brought to bear in relation to highway, road safety and transportation matters affecting the Town Council's geographical area and (c) to contribute to the formation of planning policies both locally and nationally	Every 4 weeks
1	LAB	Ciaran Cronnelly		
2	LAB	Tim Taylor		
3	LAB	Richard Tucker (VC)		
4	LAB	John Carson		
5	CON	Peter Crew		
6	CON	Justina Pecak-Michalowicz		
7	CON	Marcia Pepperall		
8	LIB DEM	Caroline Reynolds (C)		
9	LIB DEM	Ray Armstrong		
10	LIB DEM	VACANCY		

Amenities Culture and Leisure Committee (Quorum 5)			Role: The overall purpose of this standing committee is to discharge effectively and economically the Council's duties in the spheres of its community, leisure and cultural amenities and activities.	Bi-monthly
1	LAB	Tim Taylor		
2	LAB	Helen Thornton		
3	LAB	Robert Skeen		
4	LAB	Annabelle Chard		
5	CON	Martin Williams		
6	CON	John Standfield		
7	CON	Peter Crew (VC)		
8	LIB DEM	John Crockford-Hawley (C)		
9	LIB DEM	Caroline Reynolds		
10	LIB DEM	Ray Armstrong		
Personnel Committee (Quorum 5)			Role: The overall purpose of this committee is to effectively and efficiently discharge the Council's duties as an Employer, and to consider any appeals in relation to decisions made at Grievance Committee or Personnel Committee	3 x per year
1	LAB	Ciaran Cronnelly		
2	LAB	Alan Peak		
3	LAB	Tim Taylor (C)		
4	LAB	Simon Harrison-Morse		
5	CON	Gill Bute		
6	CON	John Standfield		
7	CON	Peter Crew		
8	LIB DEM	Mark Canniford (VC)		
9	LIB DEM	Mike Bell		
10	LIB DEM	Jemma Coles		
Youth Council			Reports to: Full Council	Monthly
1	LAB	Charlie Williams		
2	CON	Justina Pecak-Michalowicz		
3	LIB DEM	Joe Bambridge		
& Youth Cllrs			Role: To undertake all independent duties as Youth Council for the town as per the Standing Orders.	

Grants and Governance Sub Committee (Quorum 4)			<p>Notwithstanding Standing Order No. 25.6.</p> <p>Reports to: Finance and General Purposes Committee</p> <p>Role: To deal with all Grant Applications received by council including but not limited to Small and Voluntary applications, Community Events applications, Weston in Bloom applications and Youth Council applications (as required). In addition to oversee the governance and monitoring of all Service Level Agreements</p>	Quarterly
1	LAB	Hugh Malyan (VC)		
2	LAB	Alan Peak		
3	LAB	James Clayton		
4	CON	John Standfield (C)		
5	CON	Peter Crew		
6	LIB DEM	Joe Bambridge		
7	LIB DEM	Mike Bell		
Grievance and Appeals Sub Committee (Quorum 3)			<p>To include: 3 councillors from the Personnel membership (1 from each party) to hear any grievance or appeal</p> <p>Reports to: Personnel Committee</p> <p>Role of the committee: The overall purpose of this committee is to maintain a level of fairness in relation to staff grievances in order to discharge the Council's duties as an Employer. And to consider any appeals in relation to decisions made at Grievance Committee or Personnel Committee.</p>	As required
1	LAB			
2	CON			
3	LIB DEM			
Complaints Sub Committee (Quorum 3)			<p>Reports to: Full Council</p> <p>Role: To consider complaints relating to Council administration or service delivery in accordance with the Council's Complaints Procedure.</p>	As required
1	LAB			
2	CON			
3	LIB DEM			

Complaints Appeals Sub Committee (Quorum 3)			Reports to: Full Council	As required
1	LAB		Role: To hear appeals relating to complaints in accordance with the Council's Complaints Procedure. Membership: 3 Councillors not involved in the original complaint hearing.	
2	CON			
3	LIB DEM			
Civic Matters Community Consultative Group (Quorum 4)			To include: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, group leaders, CEO / Town Clerk. Notwithstanding Standing Order No. 25.6	Twice per year or as required
1	Mayor		Reports to: Finance and General-Purpose Committee Role: Please note – deputy leaders only to attend in the absence of group leader. The overall purpose of this committee is to maintain and enhance the civic profile of the Council and the Mayoralty.	
2	Deputy Mayor			
3	Leader of Council			
4	Opposition Group Leader x1			
5	Opposition Group Leader x2			
6	CEO / Town Clerk			
Allotments Community Consultative Group			Plus, Allotment Club Representation	3 x per year
1	LAB	John Carson	Role: to be chaired by non-elected members. Reports to: Amenities, Culture and Leisure Committee	
2	CON	Roger Bailey		
3	LIB DEM	Caroline Reynolds		

Heritage Arts and Culture Community Consultative Group			Plus, Community Representation	3 x per year
1	LAB	Catherine Gibbons	Role: To be chaired by non-elected members. Reports to: Amenities, Culture and Leisure Committee	
2	CON	Peter Crew		
3	LIB DEM	John Crockford-Hawley		
Devolution Start and Finish Group (Quorum 4)			Role of the Project Group: To approve principles of the Devolution Start & Finish Group and priority areas to meet the needs of the transition year and future opportunities as follows: 1. Determine which play areas from the 24 listed by NSC should transfer to the town council in the year 2025/26. 2. Prioritise assets of interest previously identified by WSMTC, create 'basket packages' and identify a timescale for when assets should devolve over future years, to be considered by NSC. Reports to: Finance and General Purposes Committee.	As required
1	LAB	Hugh Malyan		
2	LAB	Ciaran Cronnelly		
3	LAB	Simon Harrison-Morse		
4	CON	Gill Bute		
5	CON	Peter Crew		
6	CON	Marcia Pepperall		
7	LIB DEM	Robert Payne		
8	LIB DEM	Jemma Coles		
9	LIB DEM	Caroline Reynolds		
Blue Plaques Start and Finish Group			Role of the Project Group: To oversee the development and implementation of the Council's Blue Plaques initiative and make recommendations relating to heritage recognition and commemorative plaques within Weston-super-Mare. Reports to: Amenities, Culture and Leisure Committee	As required
1	LAB	Catherine Gibbons		
2	LIB DEM	John Crockford-Hawley		
3	CON	Peter Crew		

APPROVED - Annual Meeting – 28th May 2026

Representatives on Outside Bodies		Representative(s)
Anti-Racism Champion		Caroline Reynolds
Armed Forces Champions		Catherine Gibbons/Martin Williams
Allotments Champion		Roger Bailey
Birnbeck Regeneration Trust		Owen James
Bristol Airport Consultative Committee		Marcia Pepperall
Citizens Advice Bureau		Robert Payne
North Somerset Council Standards Sub-Committee		Tim Taylor
Single and Street Homelessness Partnership		James Clayton
Town Centre Partnership (x2 representatives)		Alan Peak/Robert Payne
Weston Placemaking		Gill Bute /Jemma Coles
Weston In Bloom Champion		Roger Bailey
YMCA		
Political Group 2026/2027	Political Group Leader 2026/2027	Dep Political Group Leader 2026/2027
Labour	Ciaran Cronnelly	Owen James
Conservative	Gill Bute	John Standfield
Liberal Democrat	John Crockford-Hawley	Robert Payne