



Stakeholder Engagement Joint Committee Profiles

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Council Composition

The Joint Committee is comprised of members from the following groups (listed in alphabetical order):

Alba Party - 1 member

Independent – 2 members

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 3 members

Scottish Labour Party – 13 members

Scottish Liberal Democrat Party – 1 members

Scottish National Party – 18 members

+ 1 vacancy (Highland Council)

Orkney Islands Council declined to nominate a representative to the Joint Committee.

Executive Sub-Committee Members

Councillor John Shaw (Renfrewshire Council) - Convener

Councillor Altany Craik (Fife Council) - Vice-Convener

Councillor David Keating (Aberdeenshire Council)

Councillor Brenda Durno (Angus Council)

Councillor Mandy Watt (The City of Edinburgh Council)

Councillor Kenny Macleod (Comhairle Nan Eilean Siar)

Councillor Carlyne Wilson (Dumfries & Galloway Council)

Councillor Ruairi Kelly (Glasgow City Council)

Councillor Derek Loudon (The Highland Council)

Councillor Christina Larsen (North Ayrshire Council)

Councillor Michael McPake (North Lanarkshire Council)

Councillor Dennis Leask (Shetland Islands Council)

Councillor Chris Cullen (South Ayrshire Council)

Councillor Walter Brogan (South Lanarkshire Council)

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Aberdeen City Council

Aberdeen City Council has 45 elected members representing 13 multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of SNP and Liberal Democrat councillors.



Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 19 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 7 members
- Scottish Labour – 11 members
- Independent – 4 members
- Scottish Liberal Democrats - 4 members

Key appointments

- Lord Provost – Councillor David Cameron (Scottish National Party)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Steve Delaney (Scottish Liberal Democrats)
- Council Co-Leader – Councillor Christian Allard (Scottish National Party)
- Council Co-Leader – Councillor Ian Yuill (Scottish Liberal Democrats)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Alexander McLellan (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor McLellan sits on the following:

- Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee
- Communities, Housing and Public Protection Committee
- Finance and Resources Committee (Convener)

This is Councillor McLellan's second term of office having first been elected in 2017.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Sandra MacDonald (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor MacDonald sits on the following:

- Planning Development Management Committee
- Staff Governance Committee

Councillor MacDonald sits on the Aberdeen Heat and Power group and on the board of NESTRANS (North East Scotland Transportation Partnership). This is Councillor MacDonald's second term of office having first been elected in 2017.

Aberdeenshire Council has 70 elected members representing 19 multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of Conservative, Liberal Democrat and Independent councillors.

Council composition

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 25 members
Scottish National Party – 21 members
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 14 members
Independent - 10 members

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Judy White (Independent)
Depute Provost – Councillor Ron McKail (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Gillian Owen (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Anne Stirling (Scottish Liberal Democrats)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Alastair Forsyth (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Forsyth sits on the following:

- Audit Committee
- Formartine Area Committee

Councillor Forsyth sits on the Highland Reserve Forces and Cadets Association board. This is Councillor Forsyth's second term of office having first been elected in 2017.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor David Keating (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Keating sits on the following:

- Education and Children's Services Committee (Chair)
- Garioch Area Committee
- Integration Joint Board

This is Councillor Keating's second term of office having first been elected in a by-election in 2021.

Angus Council

Angus Council has 28 elected members representing eight multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of Scottish National Party and two Independent councillors.



Council composition

Scottish National Party – 13 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 7 members
Independent – 6 members
Scottish Labour Party – 1 member

+ 1 vacancy (by-election on 25 April 2024)

Key appointments

Provost – Brian Boyd (Independent)
Depute Provost – Councillor Linda Clark (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Beth Whiteside (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Brenda Durno (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Durno sits on the following:

- Communities
- Development Management Review
- Development Standards (Vice-Convenor)

Councillor Durno is a member of the Northern Roads Collaboration Joint Committee, Tayside Valuation Joint Board and is convenor of the Tayside Contracts Joint Committee.

This is Councillor Durno's third term of office having first been elected in a by-election in 2016. Councillor Durno is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Argyll and Bute Council



Argyll & Bute Council has 36 elected members representing 11 multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of Conservative, Independent and Liberal Democrat councillors.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 12 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 9 members
Independent – 8 members
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 5 members
Scottish Green Party - 1 member
Scottish Labour Party - 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Maurice Corry (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party))
Depute Provost – Councillor Liz McCabe (Independent)
Council Leader – Councillor Robin Currie (Scottish Liberal Democrats)
Depute Leader – Councillor Gary Mulvaney (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor William Sinclair (Scottish Liberal Democrats)



Councillor Sinclair is Depute Policy Lead for Finance and Commercial Services. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Sinclair sits on the following:

- Environment, Development and Infrastructure
- Bute and Cowal Area Committee

This is Councillor Sinclair's first term of office.

The City of Edinburgh Council has 63 elected members representing 17 multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration with support of Conservatives and Liberal Democrats.

Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 18 members
- Scottish Liberal Democrats – 13 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 11 members
- Scottish Green Party – 10 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 9 members
- Independent – 1 member
- Labour and Co-operative Party - 1 member

Key appointments

- Lord Provost – Councillor Robert Aldridge (Scottish Liberal Democrats)
- Depute Lord Provost – Councillor Lezley Marion Cameron (Scottish Labour Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor Cammy Day (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Mandy Watt (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Adam Nols-McVey (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Nols-McVey sits on the following:

- Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee
- Policy and Sustainability Committee

Councillor Nols-McVey represents the council at COSLA and the Energy for Edinburgh Board.

This is Councillor Nols-McVey's third term of office having first been elected in 2012.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Mandy Watt (Scottish Labour Party)



Councillor Watt is depute leader of the council. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Watt sits on the following:

- Finance and Resources Committee (Convener)
- Pensions Committee (Convener)
- Policy and Sustainability Committee
- Recruitment Committee

Councillor Watt is a member of various boards such as APSE and COSLA - SJC.

This is Councillor Watt's second term of office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor Watt is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Clackmannanshire Council has 18 elected members representing five multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 8 members
Scottish Labour Party – 5 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 3 members
Independent – 1 member
Scottish Green Party – 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Donald Balsillie (Scottish National Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor Jane McTaggart (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Ellen Forson (Scottish National Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Graham Lindsay (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Ellen Forson (Scottish National Party)



Councillor Forson is the Leader of Clackmannanshire Council and Spokesperson for Partnership, Third Sector and Digital Strategy. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Forson sits on the following:

- Audit and Scrutiny Committee
- Stirling and Clackmannanshire City Region Deal Joint Committee (Chair)

Councillor Forson is chair of the Clackmannanshire Alliance.

This is Councillor Forson's third term of office having first been elected in 2012 and continues in a second term as leader of the council.

Comhairle nan Eilean Siar



Comhairle nan Eilean Siar has 29 elected members representing nine multi member wards. Usually, the Comhairle does not formally set up an administration.

Council composition

Independent – 22 members
Scottish National Party – 6 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 1 member

Key appointments

Council Convener – Councillor Kenneth MacLeod (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Paul Steele (Independent)
Depute Leader - Councillor Duncan Macinnes MBE (Independent)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Kenneth MacLeod (Scottish National Party)



Councillor MacLeod is Convener of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar. In addition to the full Council committee, which he chairs, Councillor MacLeod sits on the following committees:

- Comataidh na Gàidhlig
- Education, Sport and Children's Services Committee
- Human Resources Sub-Committee
- Policy and Resources Committee
- Sustainable Development Committee
- Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

Councillor MacLeod is the chairman of Lewis and Harris Auction Mart. He is employed part-time by Angus Macneil who is the Member of Parliament for Na h-Eileanan an Iar and is also a freelance journalist for the BBC.

This is Councillor MacLeod's third term of office having first been elected in 2012. Councillor MacLeod is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Dumfries and Galloway Council



Dumfries and Galloway Council has 43 elected members representing 12 multi member wards. The administration is a Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 16 members
Scottish National Party – 11 members
Scottish Labour Party – 8 members
Independent – 4 members
Democratic Alliance - 3 members
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Maureen Johnstone (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
Convenor – Councillor Malcolm Johnstone (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Gail Macgregor (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
(The Convenor and Council Leader deputise for one another when required)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Carlyne Wilson (Scottish Labour Party)



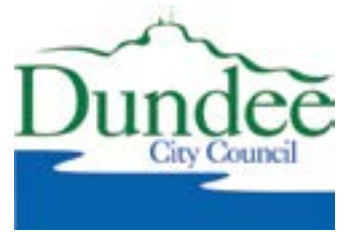
In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Wilson sits on the following committees:

- Annandale and Eskdale Area Committee
- Civic Government Licensing Panel
- Economy and Resources Committee
- Education and Learning Committee
- Employment and Appeals Sub Committee
- Finance, Procurement and Transformation Committee
- Lockerbie and Lochmaben Common Good Sub Committee
- Social Work Services Committee

Councillor Wilson sits on several outside committees and boards including the Dumfries and Galloway Champions Board for Looked After Children and Care Leavers and the Dumfriesshire Educational Trust.

This is Councillor Wilson's first term of office. Councillor Wilson is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Dundee City Council



Dundee City Council has 29 elected members representing eight multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of SNP and Independent councillors.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 15 members
Scottish Labour Party – 9 members
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 4 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 1 member

Key appointments

Lord Provost – Councillor Bill Campbell (Scottish National Party)
Depute Lord Provost - Councillor Kevin Cordell (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor John Alexander (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Heather Anderson (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Anderson sits on the following:

- Children, Families and Communities Committee
- City Governance Committee
- Climate, Environment and Biodiversity Committee (Convener)
- Fair Work, Economic Growth and Infrastructure Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Neighbourhood Regeneration, Housing and Estatement Management Committee
- Planning Committee

This is Councillor Anderson's first term of office in Dundee City Council though she did serve a term of office in Scottish Borders Council in 2017.

East Ayrshire Council

East Ayrshire Council has 32 elected members representing nine multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.



Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 14 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 9 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 4 members
- Independent – 3 members
- Labour and Co-operative Party - 1 member
- Rubbish Party - 1 member

Key appointments

- Provost – Councillor Jim Todd (Scottish National Party)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Claire Leitch (Scottish National Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor Douglas Reid (Scottish National Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Jim McMahon (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Stephen Canning (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Canning sits on the following:

- Central Joint Consultative Committee
- Governance and Scrutiny Committee
- Grants Committee
- Local Government Licensing Panel

Councillor Canning is Climate & Environment Officer, SNP South Branch and is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland.

This is Councillor Canning's first term of office.

East Dunbartonshire Council has 22 elected members representing seven multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 8 members
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 6 members
Scottish Labour Party – 4 members
Independent – 2 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 2 members

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Gillian Renwick (Scottish National Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor Colette McDiarmid (Scottish Labour Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Gordan Low (Scottish National Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Calum Smith (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Calum Smith (Scottish National Party)



Councillor Smith is the Depute Leader of East Dunbartonshire Council. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Smith sits on the following:

- Audit and Risk Management Committee
- Education Committee
- Housing, Health & Care Forum
- Local Development Plan Working Party
- Planning Board
- Policy and Resources Committee (Vice-convenor)
- Transport Working Group

Councillor Smith represents the Council on numerous outside bodies including APSE, CoSLA Health and Social Care Board, Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute Valuation Joint Board, Glasgow City Region Cabinet and the Health and Social Care Partnership Board.

This is Councillor Smith's first term of office.

East Lothian Council



East Lothian Council has 22 elected members representing six multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish Labour Party – 10 members
Scottish National Party – 6 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 4 members
Independent - 1 member
Scottish Green Party - 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor John McMillan (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor Andy Forrest (Scottish Labour Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Norman Hampshire (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Leader - Councillor Shamin Akhtar (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Provost John McMillan (Scottish Labour Party)



Provost McMillan is the Provost of East Lothian Council and Cabinet Spokesperson for Environment, Economic Development & Tourism. In addition to the full Council committee, Provost McMillan sits on the following:

- Cabinet
- Haddington Common Group Committee
- Petitions and Community Empowerment Review Committee (Convener)
- Planning Committee (Depute Convener)
- Police, Fire and Community Safety Scrutiny Committee (Depute Convener)

Provost McMillan is a member of numerous boards and trusts including East Lothian and Midlothian Chamber of Commerce, East Lothian Food and Drink Board and he is a Director of Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust.

This is Provost McMillan's third term of office having first been elected in 2012. Provost McMillan is a returning member of the Joint Committee.

East Renfrewshire Council



East Renfrewshire Council has 18 elected members representing five multi member wards. The administration is a minority agreement of Labour and Independent councillors.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 6 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 5 members
Scottish Labour Party – 5 members
Independent – 2 members

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Mary Montague (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor Kate Campbell (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Owen O'Donnell (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Andrew Anderson (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Tony Buchanan (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Buchanan sits on the following committees:

- Audit and Scrutiny Committee (Vice-Chair)
- Education Committee
- Emergencies Committee

Councillor Buchanan is COSLA's Children and Young People Spokesperson. Councillor Buchanan is an Executive Officer in the Department of Work and Pensions, a member of the East Renfrewshire Culture and Leisure Trust and a Director of the Supplier Development Programme and Business Loans Scotland.

This is Councillor Buchanan's fourth term of office having first been elected in 2007. Councillor Buchanan is a returning member of the Joint Committee.

Falkirk Council

Falkirk Council has 30 elected members representing nine multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.



Council composition

Scottish National Party – 11 members
Scottish Labour Party – 9 members
Independent – 6 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 4 members

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Robert Bissett (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor David Balfour (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Cecil Meiklejohn (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Margaret Anslow (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Anslow sits on the following:

- Audit Committee (Convener)
- Civic Licensing Committee
- Scrutiny Committee

Councillor Anslow represents on the SESTran - South East Scotland Transport Partnership board.

This is Councillor Anslow's first term of office.

Fife Council

Fife Council has 75 elected members representing 23 multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration.



Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 34 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 18 members
- Scottish Liberal Democrats – 13 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 8 members
- Scottish Labour Party & Scottish Co-operative Party - 2 members

Key appointments

- Provost – Councillor Jim Leishman MBE (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Dave Dempsey (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Donald Lothian (Scottish Liberal Democrat Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor David Ross (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Altany Craik (Scottish Labour Party)

Councillor Craik is the spokesperson for Finance, Economy & Strategic Planning. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Craik sits on the following:

- Cabinet
- Glenrothes Area Committee

Councillor Craik is a Director of Business Gateway Fife and chairs the Industrial Communities Alliance.

This is Councillor Craik's third term of office having first been elected in 2012. Councillor Craik is a returning member of the Joint Committee and is the vice-convenor of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.



Joint Committee Member

Councillor Ross Vettraino OBE (Scottish National Party)

In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Vettraino sits on the following:

- Cabinet
- Glenrothes Area Committee

This is Councillor Vettraino's fourth term of office having first been elected in 2007. Councillor Vettraino is a returning member of the Joint Committee.



Glasgow City Council



Glasgow City Council has 85 elected members representing 23 multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.

Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 37 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 35 members
- Scottish Green Party – 11 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 2 members

Key appointments

- Lord Provost – Councillor Jacqueline McLaren (Scottish National Party)
- Depute Lord Provost – Councillor Christy Mearns (Scottish Green Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor Susan Aitken (Scottish National Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Ricky Bell (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Bailie Rashid Hussain (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Bailie Hussain sits on the following:

- Greater Pollok Area Partnership
- Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee
- Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee

This is Bailie Hussain's third term in office having first been elected in 2017.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Ruairi Kelly (Scottish National Party)



Councillor Kelly is the Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets, In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Kelly sits on the following:

- Asset Transfer Review Committee
- City Administration Committee
- Contracts and Property Committee (Vice Convener)
- Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee
- North East Area Partnership (Chair)
- Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee

This is Councillor Kelly's second term in office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor Kelly is a returning member of the Joint Committee and is also a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

The Highland Council



The Highland Council has 74 elected members representing 21 multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of SNP and Highland Independent councillors.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 21 members
Highland Independent – 18 members
Scottish Liberal Democrat – 14 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 8 members
Highland Alliance – 5 members
Scottish Green Party – 4 members
Scottish Labour Party – 2 members
Alba Party - 1 member

+ 1 vacancy (by-election on 11 April 2024)

Key appointments

Council Convener – Councillor Bill Lobban (Highland Independent)
Vice-Convener - Councillor Biz Campbell (Highland Independent)
Vice-Convener - Councillor Ken Gowans (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Raymond Bremner (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Derek Louden (Scottish National Party)



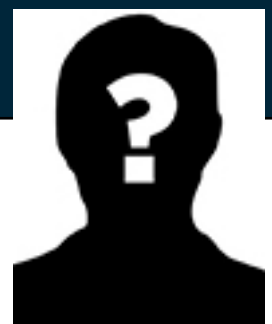
In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Louden sits on the following:

- Black Isle and Easter Ross Area Committee
- Climate Change Committee
- Corporate Resources Committee (Chair)
- Highland Council/NHS Highland Joint Monitoring Committee
- Pensions Committee (Vice Chair)

This is Councillor Louden's second term in office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor Louden is also a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor TBC



Inverclyde Council has 22 elected members representing seven multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration.

Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 8 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 7 members
- Independent – 3 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 2 members
- Scottish Labour and Scottish Co-operative Party - 2 members

Key appointments

- Provost – Councillor Drew McKenzie (Independent)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Graeme Brooks (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor Stephen McCabe (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Natasha McGuire (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Martin McCluskey (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor McCluskey sits on the following:

- Audit Committee
- General Purposes Board
- Policy and Resources Committee (Vice-Convener)
- Policy and Resources Exec Sub-Committee (Vice-Convener)
- Social Work and Social Care Scrutiny Panel (Vice-Convener)

Councillor McCluskey is a member of several boards and trusts including the COSLA - Health and Social Care Board, the Greater Glasgow & Clyde NHS Board and the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board.

This is Councillor McCluskey's first term in office.

Midlothian Council has 18 elected members representing six multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 8 members

Scottish Labour Party – 7 members

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 3 members

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Debbi McCall (Scottish National Party)

Depute Provost – Councillor Douglas Bowen (Scottish National Party)

Council Leader – Councillor Kelly Parry (Scottish National Party)

Depute Leader – Councillor Colin Cassidy (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Colin Cassidy (Scottish National Party)



Councillor Cassidy is the Depute Leader of Midlothian Council. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Cassidy sits on the following:

- Cabinet (Depute Convener)
- General Purposes Committee
- Local Review Body
- Performance, Review and Scrutiny Committee
- Planning Committee
- Standards Committee

This is Councillor Cassidy's second term in office having first been elected in 2017.

Moray Council

Moray Council has 26 elected members representing eight multi member wards. The administration is a minority Conservative administration.



Council composition

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 9 members

Scottish National Party – 9 members

Independent – 3 members

Scottish Labour Party – 3 member

Conservative Non-aligned - 1 member

Scottish Green Party – 1 member

Key appointments

Convener – Councillor John Cowe (Independent)

Council Leader – Councillor Kathleen Robertson (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Depute Leader - Councillor Donald Gatt (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Neil McLennan (Independent)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor McLennan sits on the following:

- Audit and Scrutiny Committee
- Police and Fire and Resuce Services Committee

This is Councillor McLennan's first term in office. He was elected as a Conservative candidate but has positioned himself as an independent councillor for now.

North Ayrshire Council

North Ayrshire Council has 33 elected members representing 10 multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.



Council composition

Scottish National Party – 12 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 9 members
Scottish Labour Party – 6 members
Scottish Labour and Co-operative Party – 3 members
Independent – 2 members

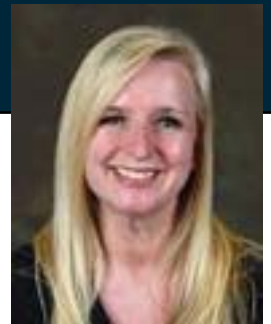
+ 1 vacancy (by-election on 9 May 2024)

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Anthea Dickson (Scottish National Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor John Sweeney (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Marie Burns (Scottish National Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Shaun Macaulay (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Christina Larsen (Scottish National Party)



Councillor Larsen holds the cabinet portfolio for Finance. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Larsen sits on the following:

- Cabinet (Finance)
- Licensing Committee
- Local Development Plan Committee
- North Ayrshire Council (Planning)

This is Councillor Larsen's second term of office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor Larsen is also a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

North Lanarkshire Council



North Lanarkshire Council has 77 elected members representing 21 multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration.

Council composition

- Scottish Labour Party – 34 members
- Scottish National Party – 24 members
- Progressive Change North Lanarkshire - 7 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 5 members
- Independent – 5 members
- British Unionist Party – 1 member
- Scottish Green Party – 1 member

Key appointments

- Provost – Councillor Kenneth Duffy (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Bob Burgess (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor James Logue (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Louise Roarty (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Michael McPake (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor McPake sits on the following:

- Education, Children and Families Committee
- Enterprise, Growth and Fair Work Committee
- Finance and Resources Committee
- Housing Committee (Convener)
- Planning Committee

Councillor McPake is a member of several outside committees including Strathclyde Partnership for Transport. This is his fourth term of office having first been elected in a by-election in 2011. Councillor McPake is also a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Denis Johnston (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Johnston sits on the following:

- Audit and Scrutiny Panel
- Finance and Resources Committee
- Housing Committee
- Policy and Strategy Committee

This is Councillor Johnston's first term of office.

Orkney Islands Council

Orkney Islands Council has 21 elected members representing six multi member wards. The administration is an Independent administration.



Council composition

Independent – 19 members
Scottish Green Party – 2 members

Key appointments

Convener – Councillor Graham Bevan (Independent)
Council Leader – Councillor Heather Woodbridge (Independent)
Depute Leader – Councillor Sandy Cowie (Independent)

Joint Committee Member

No appointment

Orkney Islands Council declined to appoint a representative to the Joint Committee.



Perth and Kinross Council

Perth and Kinross Council has 40 elected members representing 12 multi member wards. The administration is an SNP minority administration.



Council composition

Scottish National Party – 16 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 14 members
Independent – 4 members
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 4 members
Scottish Labour Party – 2 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Xander McDade (Independent)
Depute Provost – Councillor Andrew Parrott (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Grant Laing (Scottish National Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Eric Drysdale (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Sheila McCole (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor McCole sits on the following:

- Housing and Social Wellbeing Committee (Vice-Convener)
- Perth Common Good Fund Committee

Councillor McCole sits on the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board, NHS Tayside Board, the Tayside Contracts Joint Committee and the Tayside Valuation Joint Board.

This is Councillor McCole's second term of office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor McCole is a returning member of the Joint Committee.

Renfrewshire Council

Renfrewshire Council has 43 elected members representing 12 multi member wards. The administration is a SNP minority administration.



Council composition

Scottish National Party – 21 members
Scottish Labour Party – 12 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 5 members
Independent – 3 members
Scottish Labour and Co-operative Party – 1 member
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Lorraine Cameron (Scottish National Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor Cathy McEwan (Scottish National Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Iain Nicolson (Scottish National Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Jacqueline Cameron (Scottish National Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor John Shaw (Scottish National Party)



In addition to the full Council board, Councillor Shaw sits on the following:

- Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board (Convener)
- Investment Review Board (Convener)
- Leadership Board
- Local Partnership - Renfrew
- Planning and Climate Change Policy Board

This is Councillor Shaw's second term of office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor Shaw is a returning member of the Joint Committee. Councillor Shaw is also the convener of Scotland Excel's Joint Committee and Executive Sub-Committee.

Scottish Borders Council



Scottish Borders Council has 34 elected members representing 11 multi member wards. The administration is a majority coalition of Conservative and Independent councillors.

Council composition

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 15 members

Scottish National Party – 8 members

Independent – 7 members

Scottish Liberal Democrats – 3 members

Scottish Green Party – 1 member

Key appointments

Convener – Councillor Watson McAteer (Independent)

Vice-Convener – Councillor John Greenwell (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Council Leader – Councillor Euan Jardine (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Mark Rowley (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)



Councillor Rowley is the Executive Member for Service Delivery & Transformation. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Rowley sits on the following:

- Berwickshire Area Partnership
- Berwickshire Locality Committee
- Coldstream Common Good Fund Sub-Committee
- Duns Common Good Fund Sub-Committee
- Executive Committee
- External Services/Providers Monitoring Group (Chair)

This is Councillor Rowley's second term of office having first been elected in 2017.

Shetland Islands Council

Shetland Islands Council has 23 elected members representing seven multi member wards. The administration is an Independent administration.



Council composition

Independent – 20 members
Scottish Green Party – 1 member
Scottish Labour Party – 1 member
Scottish National Party – 1 member

Key appointments

Convener – Councillor Andrea Manson (Independent)
Depute Convener – Councillor Bryan Peterson (Independent)
Council Leader – Councillor Emma Macdonald (Independent)
Depute Leader – Councillor Gary Robinson (Independent)

Joint Committee Member Councillor Dennis Leask (Independent)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Leask sits on the following:

- Development Committee (Chair)
- Environment and Transport Committee
- Policy and Resources Committee

This is Councillor Leask's first term of office. Councillor Leask is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

South Ayrshire Council



South Ayrshire Council has 28 elected members representing eight multi member wards. The administration is a Conservative minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 11 members

Scottish National Party – 6 members

Scottish Labour Party – 5 members

Independent – 5 members

Alba Party - 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Iain Campbell (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Depute Provost – Councillor Mary Kilpatrick (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Council Leader – Councillor Martin Dowey (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Depute Leader – Councillor Lee Lyons (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Chris Cullen (Alba Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Cullen sits on the following:

- Audit and Governance

Councillor Cullen represents the council on the Supplier Development Programme board.

This is Councillor Cullen's second term of office having first been elected in 2017. Councillor Cullen is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

South Lanarkshire Council



South Lanarkshire Council has 64 elected members representing 20 multi member wards. The administration is a Labour led partnership agreement with the Liberal Democrats and an Independent.

Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 25 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 25 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 7 members
- Independent – 3 members
- Scottish Liberal Democrats – 3 members
- Scottish Green Party – 1 member

Key appointments

- Provost – Councillor Margaret Cooper (Independent)
- Depute Provost – Councillor Bert Thomson (Scottish Labour Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor Joe Fagan (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Gerry Convery (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Walter Brogan (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Brogan sits on the following:

- Community and Enterprise Resources Committee
- Finance and Corporate Resources Committee (Depute Chair)
- Housing and Technical Resources Committee
- Lanarkshire Valuation Joint Board (Convener)
- Social Work Resources Committee

This is Councillor Brogan's fourth term of office having first been elected in 2007. Councillor Brogan is a member of Scotland Excel's Executive Sub-Committee.

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Eileen Logan (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Logan sits on the following:

- Education Resources Committee
- Executive Committee
- Social Work Resources Committee
- Integration Joint Board

This is Councillor Logan's fifth term of office having first been elected in 2003. Councillor Logan is a former member of Scotland Excel's Joint Committee and Executive Sub-Committee.

Stirling Council

Stirling Council has 23 elected members representing seven multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration.



Council composition

- Scottish National Party – 8 members
- Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 7 members
- Scottish Labour Party – 5 members
- Independent – 2 members
- Scottish Green Party – 1 member

Key appointments

- Provost – Councillor Douglas Dodds (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Depute Convener - Councillor Rachel Nunn (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Council Leader – Councillor Chris Kane (Scottish Labour Party)
- Depute Leader – Councillor Margaret Brisley (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Rachel Nunn (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)



Councillor Nunn is the Depute Convener of Stirling Council. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Nunn sits on the following:

- Community Wellbeing and Housing Committee
- Environment, Transport and Net Zero Committee
- Public Safety Committee

Councillor Nunn is a member of several organisations including Tayside and Central Scotland Transport Partnership, APSE, and Clackmannanshire and Stirling Environment Trust. Councillor Nunn founded Going Carbon Neutral Stirling in 2008, one of the first community climate change projects in the UK. Her work on net zero is ongoing.

This is Councillor Nunn's first term of office.

West Dunbartonshire Council



West Dunbartonshire Council has 22 elected members representing six multi member wards. The administration is a Labour majority administration.

Council composition

Scottish Labour Party – 11 members
Scottish National Party – 8 members
Independent - 1 members
West Dunbartonshire Community Party – 1 member

+ 1 vacancy (by-election date TBC)

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Douglas McAllister (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor John Miller (Scottish Labour Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Martin Rooney (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Michelle McGinty (Scottish Labour Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Daniel Lennie (Scottish Labour Party)



In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor Lennie sits on the following:

- Corporate Services Committee (Convener)
- Educational Services Committee
- Planning Committee

This is Councillor Lennie's second term of office having first been elected in 2017.

West Lothian Council has 33 elected members representing nine multi member wards. The administration is a Labour minority administration.

Council composition

Scottish National Party – 15 members
Scottish Labour Party – 9 members
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party – 4 members
Labour & Co-operative Party - 3 members
Independent – 1 member
Scottish Liberal Democrats – 1 member

Key appointments

Provost – Councillor Cathy Muldoon (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Provost – Councillor Peter Heggie (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
Council Leader – Councillor Lawrence Fitzpatrick (Scottish Labour Party)
Depute Leader – Councillor Kirsteen Sullivan (Labour & Co-operative Party)

Joint Committee Member

Councillor Anne McMillan (Scottish Labour Party)



Councillor McMillan has responsibility for the Executive post of Health and Care. In addition to the full Council committee, Councillor McMillan sits on the following:

- Council Executive
- Integration Joint Board (Vice-Chair)
- Livingston North Local Area Committee (Chair)
- Planning Committee
- Social Work and Health Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel (Chair)

This is Councillor McMillan's second term of office having first been elected in 2012. Councillor McMillan sits on the COSLA Executive Board - Health and Social Care.

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