



CONSULTATION

LEADERSHIP TEAM – RESTRUCTURE PROPOSAL

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Introduction from Robert Pollock, Chief Executive

Dear Colleagues

To live within our means, we need to consider the Councils leadership arrangements. Now that the direction of travel for the Our Cambridge transformation programme has been agreed and building on the 'Leadership for Change' task and finish group, I am now able to set out draft proposals. Leaders of shared services are not included. There may be scope to revisit this in future with our partners. A summary is provided below, and the rest of the document sets out the proposals and process in more detail.

Refreshing our leadership arrangements is essential to complement and give shape to the wider organisational redesign of the council and to support our elected members to navigate increasing complexity in local government. Our current management structures largely reflect proposals set out in 2010. These have developed incrementally through the introduction of shared services and creation of the CPCA and GCP. We now have a relatively large and hierarchical senior team orientated toward service delivery rather than shared corporate outcomes and leadership for the whole Council.

The City Council adapted admirably to the challenges posed by Brexit and a global pandemic. These systemic disruptions forced us to do things differently and at pace. We need to build the lessons learnt into the way we organise ourselves in future so that a more resilient, partnership orientated, and agile culture becomes the norm. There are significant opportunities to engage more effectively with our public, business and community sector partners so we can deliver the best outcomes for Cambridge residents with the resources we have available.

Recent market turbulence in response to government policy has made our medium-term financial challenge even greater. It is vital we now follow through on plans agreed by the Executive to reduce spending by at least £5m over the next two to three years. In addition to supporting a more collaborative and empowering leadership culture, the senior management restructure needs to make an important contribution towards our financial sustainability.

The key changes I am setting out in this consultation document can be summarised as follows:

- establishing five groups each led by a Director or Assistant Director;
- reducing the number of posts in scope of the restructure from 13 to 8 to release ~£0.36m gross savings, including the creation of a new two-year fixed term Head of People position (band 11) while future leadership arrangements for Transformation, Digital and HR are considered;
- setting aside up to £40k of the gross savings for the next phase of organisational redesign to
 enable new management opportunities for talented staff that want to step up, of which up to
 £15k specifically for a new City Services Group;
- support for all new leaders to succeed though a tailored development programme, and
- £0.32m net annual contribution towards our savings targets.

As a package these proposals will provide the council with a more clearly defined and sustainable leadership structure. Each of the new groups has a distinct corporate purpose. This will mark a shift away from a

service-based ethos that has facilitated siloed thinking. The new structure necessitates collaboration across groups to deliver corporate outcomes and complements our shared services arrangements. It should also enable increased engagement with an improving Combined Authority, the County Council, and a more integrated, place-based NHS. The new structure has the flexibility to evolve over time as the operational and policy needs of the council and political priorities of members change.

Teams within groups will be more closely aligned around our corporate plan priorities. This reflects the insights that emerged from the organisational design workstreams (e.g., the 'petal diagram'). Team leaders and senior managers will be empowered and have greater influence as there will be fewer management layers. That is an important step towards reducing 'red tape, bureaucracy and process' that staff identified as the top barrier to change though the 'making it real' feedback.

A smaller corporate leadership team will create new opportunities for managers during the second phase of our organisational redesign once the senior structure is resolved. New group leadership will want the opportunity to shape teams and structures in their reporting lines and establish relationships with complementary teams in other groups, as well as arrangements to better support members and strengthen partnerships with other key stakeholders.

Structures don't change organisational culture, but they can enable and facilitate positive change. Purpose, pragmatism and people will make change successful, and the new corporate leadership team will need to lead the way. I will expect them to promote continuous improvement, demonstrate supportive and inclusive behaviours, a willingness to roll their sleeves as well as thinking and acting as system leaders in the interests of the whole council and city.

With a flatter, more agile and resilient organisational culture we will be better prepared for uncertainty, better able to overcome new challenges and take advantage of opportunities. However, I am open to feedback from individuals and teams in addition to those that are directly affected by the proposals. If you have views to improve these proposals, please share them via SMRfeedback@cambridge.gov.uk before the consultation closes at noon on 10th December 2022.

Finally, I recognise that any period of change can be unsettling, and I want to reassure you that I will take forward any changes as quickly as possible. Please also be mindful and respectful to those individuals whose current roles are more directly affected.

Yours sincerely

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Robert Pollock Chief Executive

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1. Purpose of Report

To put forward, for formal consultation, the proposed leadership structure for Cambridge City Council.

This document forms the basis for consultation with staff directly affected by the proposals and the trade unions, Unison and GMB.

2. Background

Our current organisational design has remained largely unchanged for over a decade. However, the demands, context and challenges faced by the council have changed. There are also significant opportunities and benefits from working in new ways. As part of the Our Cambridge transformation programme, the council now needs to update its organisational design, so that it can more effectively meet the needs of residents and the city now and in future.

The direction of travel to enable the Council to modernise and change was discussed by the Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee in July and October 2022¹ and subsequently agreed by the Executive. This consultation on a new senior leadership structure is an integral part of that transformation journey. The new leadership team that emerges will lead the way on wider organisational change which will proceed during 2023/24.

The proposals would create a smaller and more unified structure to replace the current Leadership and Senior Management Teams. Heads of Service supported this principle in work undertaken earlier in the year though the 'Leadership for Change' task and finish group. The proposals also have an emphasis on leadership behaviours and values consistent with the new Council model. In particular, the responsibility of leaders to develop and support managers and staff to perform to their best abilities.

The new group structures are designed to enable greater collaboration across council functions and local systems, to strengthen our resilience and establish clearer accountability for corporate performance. The financial outlook for the Council and the current cost of the Leadership and Senior Management Teams relative to similar councils have also been considerations.

The proposed leadership structure is expected to provide cost savings through a smaller number of posts within a different pay and grading structure. The proposals include the introduction of a revised linked grade of Head of Service/Assistant Director to reflect greater responsibilities and management spans. The pay and grading changes will be taken through the annual review of the Pay Policy Statement via Civic Affairs and Council in early 2023.

There are currently 15 posts at senior leadership level, excluding the Chief Executive who is leading this review. The posts within scope of the senior management review are set out in section 6.3, below. The Head of Legal Services and Head of 3C Building Control positions are excluded from this review, except for reporting lines, as these are shared service posts. The arrangements for these roles would need to be part of a wider review involving all three councils.

https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=159&Mld=4135&Ver=4

3. Consultation and Engagement

This formal consultation document is for people in the roles directly impacted by the proposals, as listed below.

- Director of Enterprise and Sustainable Development
- Director of Neighbourhoods and Communities
- Assistant Chief Executive
- Head of Commercial Services
- Head of Community Services
- Head of Environmental Services
- Head of Finance
- Head of Housing Development Agency
- Head of Housing Maintenance & Assets
- Head of Housing Services
- Head of Human Resources
- Head of Property Services
- Head of Transformation (vacant post)

The Head of 3C Legal Practice and Head of 3C Building Control are out of scope.

Each person who is being formally consulted with will be invited to a one-to-one meeting with Robert Pollock, Chief Executive to discuss the proposals during the 30 days consultation period.

Although not formally part of the consultation process feedback on the proposals is welcomed in relation to the proposed grouping of services. A dedicated email has been set up to enable staff, our partners and Councillors to comment on the proposals.

If you have any views to share to improve these proposals, please e-mail before the consultation closes at noon on 10th December 2022: SMRfeedback@cambridge.gov.uk

If you are a trade union member of Unison or GMB you may wish to feed in comments through your trade union, please contact:

- Liz Brennan, Branch Secretary Unison <u>Unison@cambridge.gov.uk</u>
- Kevin Roberts or Mac MacDonald GMB GMB.GMB@cambridge.gov.uk

This consultation document has been distributed to:

- · Leadership Team and Senior Management Team
- · All Staff via Intranet article
- Trade Union Representatives for GMB and Unison
- Leader of the Council and Executive, Group Leaders for the Liberal Democrats and Green and Independents, and all other members of the Council
- Public sector partner leadership teams South Cambridgeshire DC, Huntingdonshire DC, Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, Greater Cambridge Partnership, and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care System

3.1 Timetable for responses and next steps

This consultation closes at noon on 10th December 2022. This will be followed by a period for reviewing feedback and finalising the proposals.

Final proposals will be reported to Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee on 30th January and Full Council on 3rd March. There will also be a meeting of the Employment (Senior Officer) Committee between these dates.

Following Council, the agreed proposals will be implemented, including notifying impacted colleagues of their individual position, placing people at risk of redundancy and setting up ring fenced arrangements for assessment and interviews for new roles.

The anticipated date to implement the new arrangements is May 2023. A more detailed timetable can be found on page 24.

4. Context for the Senior Management Review

The Council has a clear vision to lead a united city, <u>'One Cambridge - Fair for All'</u>, in which economic dynamism and prosperity are combined with social equality and environmental justice.

This vision, in addition to our <u>Corporate Plan</u>, <u>Medium-Term Financial Strategy</u> (MTFS) and <u>Our Cambridge</u> provide the basis to shape and inform our future leadership requirements.

The Corporate Plan 2022-2027, sets out four key priorities, describes what success will look like and includes performance indicators to measure progress. These priorities are:

- Leading Cambridge's response to the climate and biodiversity emergencies and creating a net zero council by 2030
- Tackling poverty and inequality and helping people in the greatest need
- Building a new generation of council and affordable homes and reducing homelessness
- Modernising the council to lead a greener city that is fair for all

Our collective response to the pandemic has shown what we can do when we all work in a cooperative way to address the challenges we face; working together alongside other agencies, voluntary and faith groups, businesses, individuals and communities to do the very best that we can for all those who live and work in Cambridge.

The City Council's response to the COVID pandemic required us to innovate and work across organisational boundaries, generating real insight and learning about what we could achieve at an organisational and community level. The Council needs to build on this agility and effectiveness so that it becomes more comfortable with 'doing things differently and doing different things'.

Wider technological and social trends, including population growth have accelerated and we need to keep pace with these changes. How we work as a council has been transformed over the last two years, with hybrid working, increased flexibility across teams and greater automation of processes. As an organisation we have been collectively engaged though projects and conversations, such as 'making it real', as well as developing whole council approaches to address

new challenges, including Homes for Ukraine, in order to transform services and operational delivery.

In that context, the focus of this review is to ensure we have the right leadership structures to deliver the future needs for Cambridge City Council, our residents and Cambridge.

4.1 Purpose of Leadership review

For the council to transform the way it delivers services, it needs to have the right leadership equipped with the right information, governance arrangements and relationships. Equally importantly, it requires leaders who can work with others to continually adapt the council's ways of working, to respond to the changing needs of residents and take advantage of emerging opportunities as our relationships with partners and communities evolve.

These proposals redefine and reposition the role of leadership. In particular, the significant contribution leaders can play to create an entrepreneurial public service culture, promote and develop collaborative solutions and to act with pace and purpose.

The current design of the organisation means resident experiences are often being spread across teams and services, with issues or opportunities falling between the gaps, resulting in the council offering services that are not as good as they might be. The council's 'making it real' conversations, led by Change Makers and Change Leaders, started to refocus staff on finding ways of doing better within the existing structures and processes. That initiative was the first step in the council's broader review of our services and organisational redesign.

These proposals recommend that the council merges or regroups activities to bring together similar skills and capabilities, or with similar purposes or outcomes. These changes will improve collaboration, enable efficiencies, and help the council optimise its contribution to the city and its residents (see Organisation Design Model on page 11).

Bringing key functions together and orienting them around a shared purpose will not only help us achieve our savings but will ultimately provide better resident-centred delivery, reduced inefficiencies, improved customer experience and an ability to deliver better outcomes.

Creating a more joined-up approach provides the scope to deliver benefits, including:

- Reshaping our services to reduce duplication and fragmentation of services, bringing together activities around the needs of residents or the city, to enable collaboration, efficiencies and shared purpose.
- Bringing together services that are essentially operational in nature (for example, ground maintenance, street cleaning, estate repairs), creating a hub that can deliver this type of service more efficiently and at less cost.
- Consolidating our disparate corporate functions to maximise efficiencies and ensure the
 centre is focused on those activities and support functions that enable the council to respond
 quickly and to continually develop our value to residents and the community.
- Streamlining processes by harnessing digital and data insight more effectively in line with the Our Cambridge proposals to develop better management information, that provides a

- more complete and reliable assessment of both the performance of the council in the city, and the performance of services within the council.
- Creating the conditions for the successful development and implementation of new service models and / or further income generating opportunities or businesses that have a social purpose at their heart - when council services and our partners are ready to take this step.

Other opportunities and benefits that can deliver financial savings and better outcomes include:

- Reviewing our financial structures so they reflect the new design, with more effective and simplified budget management and business planning process that are not viewed by some staff as an impediment to change.
- Reviewing political governance arrangements with Members. These conversations will form part of the future design work and can complement and enable the council's transformation.
- Reviewing internal governance to streamline decision making to reduce bureaucracy, improve the speed of decision making and oversight of implementation, and
- Developing a better understanding of the distinction between leadership mobilising action towards a shared purpose - and management - the effective organisation of tasks and people - to support and inform flatter, more resilient and cost-effective service design.

4.2 Role of the Leadership Team

New Corporate Leaders will have collective ownership and accountability for:

- Organisational and workforce development
- Staff engagement, well-being, diversity and driving forward culture change
- Budget and financial management and planning
- Service transformation, innovation and digital, data and technology
- Performance and risk management
- Community engagement and communication

The role and responsibilities of corporate leaders may change over time based on business needs, and each should have responsibility for championing at least one cross-cutting corporate objective.

The existing Senior Management Team, made up of all Directors and Heads of Service, will be replaced by a new Corporate Management Team which will be made up of all key managers within the new group structure. The CMT will be a least double the size and enable managers and team leaders to be more closely involved in the leadership of the whole council. This approach is common across local government and the wider public sector as is empowers managers and broadens responsibility for developing and driving forward corporate initiatives.

4.3 Leadership qualities

This review prioritises the opportunity to support a different leadership culture for the Council. A set of leadership qualities have been developed and included in the new generic leadership job descriptions and all leaders will be expected to display them. These qualities are based on the

requirements already captured in this document and the values work which commenced last summer. New values and behaviours are planned to be developed in 2023 and will build on the leadership qualities captured below.

- Authentic A genuine and visible leader who is focused on our people, taking time to understand and ensure we develop, motivate and understand the needs of others. Acts with humility, is resilient and able to coach and inspire people to be the best they can be.
- Outcome Driven prioritises delivering the very best outcomes for our customers, residents and stakeholders. Empowers others to improve customer experience, challenge processes, measuring impact and taking action to achieve better outcomes.
- Empathetic collaborator Has a strong sense of purpose, acting with integrity. Builds relationships and networks, engages widely, and encourages groups to work, listen, learn, reflect, and deliver.
- Influential Assertive and inspirational, with the confidence to challenge and persuade. Able to manage complex, contentious, and high-profile stakeholder engagement, displaying moral courage and empathy for different perspectives to elicit buy-in from all.
- Ambitious An energetic corporate leader, who leads by example and inspires trust across teams to prioritise the strategic direction, promote innovation, is future orientated and takes ownership for decisions.
- Courageous Positive and solution focused, looking at information and insights in new ways, navigates complexity and advocates new approaches. Is comfortable making difficult decisions, and to 'stretch' themselves and their teams.

4.4 Support for the new Corporate Leadership Team

A Development programme will be introduced for the new Corporate Leadership Team in Spring of 2023. This will aim to support a cohesive transition to a single team with shared objectives and priorities.

To support managers in the new group structures a Leadership & Management Development Programme will be introduced.

These programmes will be commissioned externally and designed to meet our needs.

5. Proposed Organisation Structure

The organisational redesign process developed a five 'petal' model to illustrate how best to reorganise Council functions. This model has informed and inspired the leadership arrangements set out in these proposals. However, following extensive financial modelling it has not been possible to implement this approach in full. If all five groups, for example, were to be led by a director and an assistant director or head of service as a deputy it would simply not be affordable.



The insights generated by the five 'petal' model and design principles set out in the transformation report to the S&R Committee in July have however been used to shape the structure and relationship of services and teams that have been grouped together.

Design Principles

- 1. Customer driven our services will be prioritised to reflect the community we serve and elected member priorities
- 2. Collaborative and co-operative makes use of the resources and potential within our partners and communities
- 3. Efficient services offered with minimum time and cost required
- 4. Commercial enable revenue to be optimised and unrecovered debt to be reduced
- 5. Scalable must be capable of adjusting to reflect the size of the city and available budgets available to the council
- 6. *Progressive* the design should require the council to review and measure its performance against advancements in technology and public service management
- 7. *Human* the culture within the council design must respect and defend the wellbeing, health and living standards of all who work with or receive its services

5.1 Proposed Groups

Set out below are the five proposed groups which will form the basis of the new organisational structure. Leadership arrangements for shared services - planning, building control, legal, waste and ICT - are out of scope of this review.

Each group will be led by a Director or Assistant Director, as outlined below. However, further refinement of key group responsibilities and teams is expected once the new Corporate Leadership Team is in place.

- Corporate Group led by a Chief Operating Officer, a Director grade, responsible for the leadership of key corporate, regulatory, and finance functions. The Corporate Group forms the council's new corporate centre and would lead on shared services governance, transformation and organisational development, human resources, digital, emergency response, public and environmental health, digital strategy and deployment, including our relationship with 3C ICT, grants and City Events.
- City Services Group led by a Director responsible for leading and managing the new Operational Hub, integrating the delivery of key city services and operations for residents and on behalf of the Council, including parking, bereavement, fleet, street cleaning, city centre management, repairs and maintenance, and responsibility for managing the relationship and integrated delivery with Greater Cambridge Shared Waste.
- Communities Group led by a Director responsible for enabling more resilient communities, particularly in places of highest need; leading teams managing the Council's housing stock and tenancies, community centres, initiatives to reduce homelessness, improve community safety, champion equalities, support refugees and asylum seekers, promote healthy lifestyles and joining-up local provision with the Integrated Care System, Early Help, and Adults and Children's Social Care.
- Assets & Development Group led by an Assistant Director responsible for overseeing a corporate approach to all our assets, estate and property management, including risk assurance and compliance, health and safety, and the Council's office accommodation project; as well as taking forward strategic opportunities to develop new council and affordable homes and estate regeneration, and the management of Cambridge City Housing Company.
- Strategy, Climate and Inclusive Economy Group led by an Assistant Chief Executive, an Assistant Director grade, responsible for the Council's democratic governance, policy and key partnerships; leading elections, communications, the council's strategic relationships with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, Greater Cambridge Partnership, Business Improvement District, new Destination Management Organisation; and for co-ordinating cross-council environmental and climate projects, and promoting the Region of Learning.

Further detail including teams to be included in each group is set out below. Each Group has been designed to create a coherent organisation structure aligned to delivery corporate priorities and other requirements previously stated in this document. Numbers of staff in each group have been considered. A Director led group would have over 200 people and an Assistant Director led group

having around 50 people. It is anticipated that key responsibilities and groups structures will be further refined when the new leadership team are appointed and that these should continue to flex and change in future to fit changing business needs.

5.2 Corporate Group

Key corporate, regulatory and finance functions are currently distributed across the council. A stronger, more integrated and responsive corporate centre would reduce duplication, enable a more consistent corporate approach and better support the organisation to adapt to changing circumstances and emergencies. The consolidated Corporate Group would put the Council in a better position to provide the infrastructure to stand up cross-council teams and allow for centralised oversight of shared services arrangements and performance.

Overall operational, policy and financial responsibility for the Group to be led by a Chief Operating Officer. The following Teams would make up this group:

- Human Resources (led by a new Head of People band 11)
- Customer Services
- Transformation Team
- Environmental & Public Health
- City Events & Cultural Services
- Grants Team

Led by a Chief Finance Officer (S151) line managed by the Chief Operating Officer:

- Accountancy
- Internal Audit
- Revenues
- Finance Support Services
- Procurement

5.3 City Services Group

The principal operational group encompassing street cleaning, grounds maintenance, facilities management, estate repairs and management, as well as car parking, fleet, bereavement services and the Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency. Bringing these teams together would enable greater management efficiency as well as the potential for a more integrated approach to delivering key city services and operations for residents. This group would lead the relationship with Greater Cambridge Shared Waste and many of the staff are likely to work from or be based out of the new Operational Hub.

Overall operational, policy and financial responsibility for the Group to be led by a City Services Director. The following Teams would make up this group:

- Operations, including City Centre Management (Streets and Open Spaces)
- Operations (Estates & Facilities)
- Parking, including responsibility for liaison on Shared CCTV
- Fleet
- Bereavement
- Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency (CHIA)

5.4 Communities Group

The integration of teams and services that directly support residents, including those with more complex needs, is a step towards creating a single point of contact to help individuals, families and communities to access the right support at the right time from the council and wider systems of support available in Cambridge. This group would include the benefits team, while the council's revenues team would remain part of Corporate Group.

This group leads on community development, housing and homelessness, community safety, public realm improvements, healthy lifestyles, as well as engagement and volunteering opportunities with residents and businesses, including by making use of the city's environmental assets, open spaces, and community centres.

Overall operational, policy and financial responsibility and leadership by a Director for Communities. The following Teams would make up this group:

- Community Development
- Community Facilities
- Sports and Recreation
- Development (Streets and Open Spaces)

And the following Teams led by a Head of Housing & Community Safety reporting to the Director:

- City Homes
- Housing Advice
- Housing Support & Performance
- Benefits
- Community Safety

5.5 Assets and Development Group

The Councils portfolio of property investments, it's estate and responsibility for developing new homes and estate regeneration is currently divided across several teams. Bringing these together into a single group would enable a more consistent corporate approach to our assets, property management and development, including responsibility for consolidating the Council's office footprint, and management of Cambridge City Housing Company.

Overall operational, policy and financial responsibility for the Group to be led by an Assistant Director for Assets and Development. The following Teams would make up this group:

- Property Services
- Asset Management
- Risk Assurance & Compliance
- Facilities Team
- Health and Safety (Emergency Planning and engagement with the Local Resilience Forum reporting to the Chief Operating Officer).

And the following Teams led by a Head of Homes and Regeneration reporting to the Assistant Director:

- Housing Strategy
- Housing Development Agency

5.6 Strategy, Climate and Inclusive Economy Group

This new Group builds on existing structures responsible for providing member and executive support, democratic governance and elections, and our corporate and public communications. The proposed new group would consolidate key teams and individuals that lead on our strategic relationships with the Combined Authority, Greater Cambridge Partnership, Business Improvement District, and new Destination Management Organisation that are vital to achieving corporate policy priorities on climate change and inclusive economic development, as well as co-ordinating cross-cutting environmental policy and projects.

As it is now a Cambridgeshire and Peterborough wide programme with an economic and skills focus the Region of Learning team would join this group.

Overall operational, policy and financial responsibility for the Group to be led by an Assistant Director, with the title Assistant Chief Executive. The following Teams and individuals would make up this group:

- Democratic Services
- Business & Executive Support Team
- Communications
- Strategy and Partnerships
- Urban Growth Manager
- Economic Development Manager
- Region of Learning

The Head of 3C Legal Services, also the City Council's Monitoring Officer, would be line managed by the Assistant Director.

5.7 Proposed Organisation Structure Summary

The table below summarises the proposed new structure.

Corporate Group	City Services Group	Communities Group	Assets and Development Group	Strategy, Climate & Inclusive Economy Group
Chief Operating Officer	City Services Director	Communities Director	Assets and Development, AD	Assistant CEO, AD
Staff: 217 (+ 69 contractors)	Staff: 207	Staff: 217	Staff: 51	Staff: 63
Chief Finance Officer (S151)	Establish Operational Management Team	Housing and Community Safety, Head of Service	Homes & Regeneration, Head of Service	Monitoring Officer & Head of 3C Shared Legal
Teams • Human Resources • Customer Services • Transformation Team • Environment & Public Health • City Events • Grants Team Chief Finance Officer (HoS) • Accountancy • Internal Audit • Revenues • Finance Support Services • Procurement	Teams Operations, inc. City Centre (SaOS) Operations (Estates & Facilities) Parking, including CCTV Fleet Bereavement CHIA	Teams Community Development Community Facilities Sports and Recreation Development (SaOS) Housing & Community Safety (HoS) City Homes Housing Advice Housing Support & Performance Benefits Community Safety	Teams Property Services Asset Management Risk Assurance & Compliance Facilities Team Health and Safety (Emergency Planning/LRF reports to COO) Homes and Regeneration (HoS) Housing Strategy Housing Development Agency	Teams Democratic Services Business & Executive Support Communications Strategy and Partnerships Urban Growth Manager Economic Development Manager Region of Learning 3C Shared Legal (HoS) out of scope

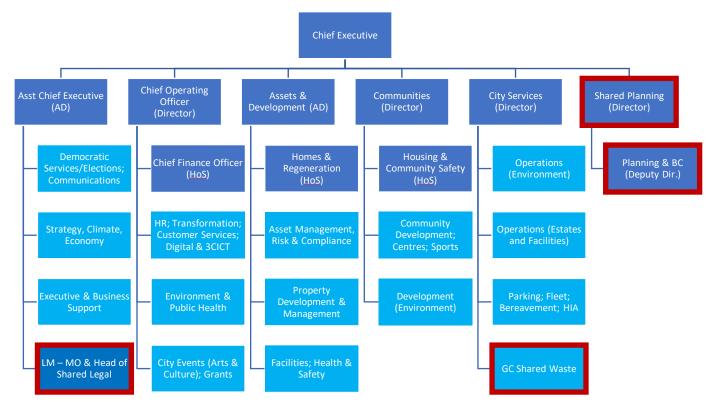
6. Proposed Leadership Structure

The table below illustrates the current posts within the Leadership and Senior Management Teams, followed by the proposed new corporate leadership structure, changes to existing posts and arrangements for selection to new roles, excluding the Chief Executive.

6.1 Current structure

Senior Management and Shared Services Structure MONITORING OFFICER HEAD OF SHARED INTERNAL HEAD OF FINANCE (\$151) Tom Lewis Caroline Ryba AUDIT SERVICE Jonathan Tully Shared Service with SCDC HEAD OF TRANSFORMATION Vacant CHIEF EXECUTIVE Robert Pollock ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE Andrew Limb JOINT DIRECTOR, GREATER DIRECTOR, ENTERPRISE & DIRECTOR, NEIGHBOURHOODS CAMBRIDGE SHARED PLANNING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITIES Fiona Bryant Stephen Kelly Jane Wilson Shared Service with SCDC COMMERCIAL SERVICES HEAD OF COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSISTANT DIRECTOR James Elms Debbie Kave PLANNING - DELIVERY HEAD OF PROPERTY SERVICES Dave Prinsep HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PLANNING Joel Carré - STRATEGY AND ECONOMY HEAD OF THE HOUSING Vacant DEVELOPMENT AGENCY Claire Flowers HEAD OF HOUSING MAINTENANCE & ASSETS HEAD OF 3C BUILDING CONTROL HEAD OF HUMAN RESOURCES Lynn Bradley & ASSISTANT DIRECTOR Deborah Simpson PLANNING (INTERIM) Heather Jones Shared HEAD OF GREATER CAMBRIDGE HEAD OF HOUSING SERVICES SHARED WASTE SERVICE David Greening Bode Esan Shared Service with SCDC HEAD OF 3C LEGAL SERVICES Shared Services SCDC - South Cambridgeshire District Council HEAD OF 3C ICT 3C Shared Services - Shared Sagar Roy (Acting Head) Shared Services between Cambridge City, Huntingdonshire District and South Cambridgeshire District Councils

6.2 Proposed leadership structure – *simplified view*



^{*}Red highlighted roles or teams are out of scope.

6.3 Proposed Changes to Current Posts

The proposed changes to current posts provide opportunities for all colleagues at risk and development for the limited number of slotted in roles and as far as possible consistency in current management to mitigate delivery risks. As previously outlined in 4.3, supporting new leadership qualities and collaborative culture are critical to successfully achieve the necessary transformation and will therefore form a key part of the selection process, outlined further in section 6.4.

Based on their duration in the role of interim Director of Neighbourhoods and Communities and the proposed deletion of that post the incumbent is being included in the ring fence for proposed new roles. As a result, arrangements for those individuals currently backfilling posts will subsequently be reviewed by the relevant new Group Director.

The following table shows the current posts and the impact for the postholders.

Current Post	FTE	Grade	Proposed Action	Impact on Postholder
Director of Enterprise and	1.0	DIR	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Sustainable Development				for new roles
Director of Communities	1.0	DIR	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
and Neighbourhoods				for new roles
Assistant Chief Executive	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
				for new roles
Head of Community	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Services				for new roles
Head of Housing	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Services				for new roles
Head of Environmental	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Services				for new roles
Head of Housing	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Maintenance & Assets				for new roles
Head of Human	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Resources				for new roles
Head of Commercial	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Services				for new roles
Head of Property	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	At Risk and Ring Fence
Services				for new roles
Head of Housing	1.0	HOS	Change of reporting	Slotting In.
Development Agency			line to AD Assets &	
			Development, change	
			of title to Head of	
			Homes & Regeneration	
Head of Finance	1.0	HOS	Change of line	Slotting in.
			management to Chief	
			Operating Officer, title	
			to Chief Finance Officer	
Head of Transformation	1.0	HOS	Post deleted	Vacant post
Head of Legal Services	1.0	HOS	Post out of scope of the	None
			review. Change	
			proposed in reporting	
			line.	
Head of Building Control	1.0	HOS	Post out of scope of the	None
			review. In scope	
			Shared Planning	
-	45.0		restructure.	
Total	15.0			

6.4 Selection to the new posts

The table below shows proposed new posts, titles and arrangements for selection.

All ringfenced roles will be open to all post holders who are at risk and ringfenced for the new roles. Everyone directly impacted by this review will be offered development support. A full selection (assessment) process will be completed for all new roles.

Director roles will be appointed to by the Employment (Senior Officer) Committee comprised of Councillors and advised by the Chief Executive and an Independent HR Advisor.

Assistant Director and Head of Service roles will be appointed by the Chief Executive, advised by an Independent HR Advisor.

For posts where there are proposed slotting in arrangements the postholders will undertake a 'fit for role' development process. The purpose of these discussions/interviews will be to talk through the employee's fit for role, agree development areas and what support will be provided to meet new leadership behaviours.

New Post	FTE	Grade	Ring Fenced	Assessment/Interview
Communities Director	1.0	DIR	Yes	Assessment & ESOC
City Services Director	1.0	DIR	Yes	Assessment & ESOC
Chief Operating Officer	1.0	DIR	Yes	Assessment & ESOC
Assets & Development Assistant Director	1.0	AD	Yes	Assessment & CEX
Assistant CEO (Assistant Director Strategy, Environment & Economy)	1.0	AD	Yes	Assessment & CEX
Head of Housing & Community Safety	1.0	HOS	Yes	Assessment & CEX
Head of Homes & Regeneration	1.0	HOS	Slotting	'Fit for Role'
01: (5: 00)	4.0		in	Development
Chief Finance Officer	1.0	HOS	Slotting	'Fit for Role'
			in	Development
Total	8.0			
Head of People (2-year Fixed Term)	1.0	Band 11	Yes	Assessment & CEX

7. Proposed Leadership Tiers and Roles

There are three main types of role in the new leadership structure: Director, Assistant Director and Head of Service. Sections 5 and 6, outline the responsibilities and reporting lines of each leadership role, and sections 4.2 and 4.3 outline the future requirements and qualities for the leadership team.

In summary, our future leadership team should:

- share collective responsibility with the Chief Executive, Leader and Executive Councillors to set a clear vision, ensuring all teams are aligned to deliver this,
- ensure better outcomes for the customer and community, placed at the centre of everything the Council does.
- take ownership and be accountable for driving the performance of our teams,
- act as one, discussing and sharing thinking with each other, enabling consistent messaging, prioritisation, and confidence across all teams,
- take an entrepreneurial approach, focusing on delivering value for money to ensure cost effective delivery,
- have a transformative effect on ways of operating, challenging, using insight and data, and supporting others to do the same,
- make a difference, providing strong leadership, direction, and guidance, ensuring this is followed by all,
- be an authentic leader, coaching, inspiring and role modelling Cambridge City Council's values, and culture, to enable a climate of trust and mutual respect,
- work with partners and support others to work collaboratively internally and externally to help shape, explore new opportunities and deliver for the communities of Cambridge
- create and develop high performing teams who learn, integrate, and create opportunities to delivery outcomes with others,
- provide teams and staff with clear expectations to deliver their best work, encouraging different working styles and thinking, whilst remaining consistent with our values and behaviours,
- embrace digital, hybrid and outcome focussed working opportunities, coaching others to do the same, and
- make sure all corporate priorities and statutory responsibilities, the constitution, and Council
 policies are followed by all staff.

All leadership roles will be required to fulfil the criteria above and the leadership qualities captured in 4.3, however it is recognised that there are different expectations of the three roles: Director, Assistant Director and Head of Service.

For ease of understanding and to ensure equity the roles and responsibilities have been categorised below as follows: Tier 2 = Director; Tier 3A = Assistant Director; Tier 3B = Head of Service.

The different leadership and managerial expectations at each Tier.

All responsible	Tier 2 responsibilities	Tier 3A responsibilities	Tier 3B responsibilities
Support Chief Executive to	Line Managed by Chief Executive	Line Managed by Chief Executive	Line managed by Director or
discharge their duties			Assistant Director (Tier 2 or 3A)
Lead, coach & inspire collaborative	Deputises for the Chief Executive	Deputises for Chief Executive on	Support Director or Assistant
working across all services		relevant area / specifics	Director (Tier 2 and 3A) to
			discharge their duties, deputising
			for some Directorates.
Collective responsibility for ensuring	Line Manager for Head of Service	Line Manager for Head of Service	Line Manager for relevant
agreed outcomes for residents and		and relevant operational / specific	operational / specific expertise
city by working across the council		expertise functions	functions
and with partners and community	Manakan at Landanakin Tana	Manakan att andarakin Tana	Levited and OFO
Member liaison and engagement,	Member of Leadership Team	Member of Leadership Team	Invited e.g., CFO
considering political interest and requirements			
Work collaboratively, aligning	Responsible for strategy, delivery,	Responsible for strategy, delivery,	Responsible for strategy, delivery,
delivery and ensuring value for	operational management and	operational management and	operational management and
money	budget of strategic clusters of	budget of more than two clusters of	budget of one or two clusters of
	council business	council business	council business
Agree, maintain and promote strong	Develop, influence and deliver	Develop, influence and deliver	Support Director or Assistant
governance	corporate objectives and	corporate objectives and	Director (Tiers 2 / 3A) to develop
	accountable for cross cutting work	accountable for cross cutting work	and deliver corporate objectives,
	and driving corporate performance	and driving corporate performance	cross cutting work and corporate
			performance
Transformative effect on ways of	Provides and delivers a clear	Provides and delivers a clear vision	Provides and delivers a clear vision
operating & driver of digital	vision and leadership for the whole	and leadership for strategic clusters	and leadership for clusters of
opportunities	Council	Dravides detailed avidence and	council business
Advise leadership colleagues, and Members on areas of responsibility		Provides detailed guidance and knowledge on area of expertise	Provides detailed guidance and knowledge on area of expertise
wembers on areas or responsibility		(may require qualification)	(may require qualification)
External ambassador for the Council		Tinay require qualification)	(may require qualification)
Emergency duty rota			
Efficigority duty rota			

Generic role profiles for each tier have been produced and can be found in Appendix A and B respectively.

Tier 3A and 3B form the roles which are included in the linked pay grade detailed in section 8

8. Pay and Grading Structure

The current pay and grading structure includes a Head of Service grade and a Director grade. Under the proposed new structure, a new role of Assistant Director has been introduced.

The pay and grading for these posts will be in the form of a linked grade at Head of Service level, to be called Head of Service/Assistant Director. The points and pay range of the Head of Service (HoS) grade will be extended and the Chief Executive will have the authority to designate which posts will be called, and paid as, an Assistant Director.

It is intended that the additional spinal column points for the Assistant Director role will start where the current head of service pay points end and finish before the Director pay grade starts. The pay rates for Head of Service and Director, uplifted to show the new pay award are £73,931 - £81,251 (HoS) and £94,684 - £105,670 (Director). This would indicate a range of around £84,000 to £93,000 for the Assistant Director.

Proposals on the new pay and grading structure for posts within the scope of this review will be taken to Civic Affairs and Council as part of the annual review of the Pay Policy Statement. A commitment to review the Senior Management pay structure was included in the 2022 Pay Policy Statement.

The exact pay range for the Assistant Director and other roles will be confirmed following Council in March 2023.

9. Financial Implications/Potential Savings

The proposed net savings from the introduction of a smaller Corporate Leadership Team to replace the current two-tier Leadership Team and Senior Management Team are estimated as £0.32m net per annum. Over a five-year period, this would equate to £1.7m.

2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	Total MTFS
£0.32m	£0.33m	£0.34m	£0.35m	£0.36m	£1.7m

Up to £40,000 of gross savings has been set aside to enable group restructures and new management opportunities for talented staff, including up to £15,000 for the City Services Group.

Based on the most expensive scenario for severance there is payback period of around 2.1 years.

There will be a tailored development programme during 2023 to support all new leaders & senior managers to succeed through transition, which is already allocated in transformation budget.

In summary, under these proposals the total cost of the Council's new Corporate Leadership, including leaders of shared services, would total just over 11 FTE at a cost around £1.47m. This is comparable with similar councils, which have been reviewed as part of the development of these proposals.

10. Proposed Timetable

The table below shows the proposed timetable for key activities, consultation, committee meetings, selection process, prior to the anticipated implementation of new arrangements in May 2023.

Event	Timescale / Proposed Date
Start of Formal Consultation period	10 th November 2022
1:1 discussion with those impacted	In consultation period
End of Formal Consultation period	10 th December 2022
Review of consultation feedback	12 th December – 6 th January 2023
Report to Strategy & Resources Committee - Scrutiny of structure (post consultation) by Strategy & Resources Committee	30 th January 2023
Update to all impacted staff following S&R committee	31st January 2023
Draft Pay Policy for Feb Civic Affairs and March Council – pay and grading structure	8 th Feb 2023 Civic Affairs & 2 nd March 2023 Council
Consideration of severance costs by Employment Senior Officer Committee	Feb 2023 (Date TBA)
Council Meeting – Decisions and approval of recommended structure and changes	2 nd March 2023
Confirmation of structure to those impacted and next steps	6 th March 2023
Individual discussions with all impacted staff at 1:1's:	From 6 th March 2023
Invitation to be considered for Director roles	From 6 th March 2023
Written application deadline for Director roles	16 th March 2023
Shortlist for Director roles	17 th March 2023
Selection day for Director roles	27 th March 2023
ESOC interviews for Director posts	April 2023
CEX (and newly appointed Directors) interview for Assistant Director and Head of Service roles	April 2023
Fit for role discussions for "slot" roles and development plans for all Leadership team agreed	April 2023
Individual discussions for all impacted to confirm appointment / next steps	April 2023
External selection for roles not filled commences	April 2023
Transition plan finalised and implemented (includes constitutional, system, budget changes etc)	April 2023
New structure implemented	May 2023

11. Equalities Impact Assessment

An EQIA has been undertaken for the posts directly impacted by these proposals and is available on request from Deborah.Simpson@cambridge.gov.uk. This will be updated at the end of the consultation period and presented to the Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 30th January 2023. The EQIA has identified an older age profile and a lower ethnic minority workforce profile than the wider council workforce. Representation of women is higher than the wider council workforce profile and is broadly comparable for staff who have declared a disability.

12. Implementing the new structure

At the end of the consultation period, all consultation responses will be considered, and the results presented in a final implementation paper. This will confirm the new staffing structures, the selection process for all posts, costs and savings. Once approved, all affected employees will be issued with letters confirming their individual position.

Once confirmed implementing the new structure will require a detailed transition plan, which will be developed and implemented as the review and restructure progresses. The transition plans will consider all areas, such as changes to our constitution as outlined below, our internal systems, including cost centres, line and performance management arrangements.

12.1 Review of Delegations and the Constitution

If the proposed changes to posts and the organisation structure set out in this report are agreed at Council in March 2023 it will be necessary to amend the Council's Constitution and delegations to officers.

It is proposed that the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer (Head of Legal Services) be given delegated authority to make such changes, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Executive Councillor for Finance, Transformation and Resources.

This recommendation will be included in the report to Council in March 2023.

12.2 Supporting those impacted by the review

The overarching priority throughout this review is to ensure that our current leadership and senior management teams feel supported throughout and trust the integrity of the process. In addition to the principles set out earlier in this document, impacted staff will also be offered:

- every opportunity to engage with and understand the review.
- a 1:1 meeting with the Chief Executive for each person in scope of the review, including the two Shared Service posts.
- confidential discussions with an independent external HR expert, to ensure a full understanding of every person's career and future aspirations, and additional support requirements, and
- engagement with relevant trade unions, Unison and GMB.

Throughout the consultation and there-after, there will be opportunities to discuss the proposed changes. Appropriate interventions will be provided to support people through the transition and development into new roles.

Organisational change can be a stressful time and any staff member may request confidential counselling through PAM Assist (0800 882 4102).

Staff may wish to talk to trade union reps individually or collectively. Trade Union representatives have been briefed, provided with a copy of this paper and invited to respond to the consultation paper.

A copy of the organisational change policy is available on the intranet – <u>here</u>.

13. Next steps

If your role forms part of the formal consultation stated in this document and you have any queries about this consultation document, please raise them directly with Robert Pollock, Chief Executive, or Deborah Simpson, Head of HR.

Individuals directly affected by these proposals should submit their formal feedback by e-mail before the consultation closes at noon on 10 December 2022 - SMRfeedback@cambridge.gov.uk

If you are not part of the formal consultation but have views to improve these proposals, please get in touch by via the same email by the deadline.

November 2022

Appendix A – Tier 2 – Director and Chief Operating Officer Role Profile

Job Role & Key Accountabilities

- To be accountable for driving the performance of a cluster of Council services; leading, coaching, and inspiring a collaborative culture which delivers successful, coherent and sustainable costeffective services.
- To work collaboratively with the leadership team and elected Members to provide a clear Council
 vision, develop and deliver the Council's budget, explore new opportunities, define and deliver
 policies and plans, and align services to ensure these are achieved.
- To have a transformative effect on ways of operating, fostering and promoting an organisational culture where employees are engaged, feel valued, empowered to challenge and have the autonomy to work in a flexible way, be creative and take managed risks.
- To create and develop high performing teams who learn, develop, influence and deliver corporate objectives and exploit opportunities for joined up working
- To deliver agreed outcomes for residents and the city by working across the council, partners and community.
- To promote strong governance, whilst providing effective support, insight, clear and accurate advice, creative thinking, and appropriate challenge.

Specific responsibilities:

- Member of the Leadership Team who deputises for the Chief Executive.
- Line manages Tier 3 and 4 (as per agreed structure).
- Strategy, delivery, operational management and budget of strategic clusters of council business.
- Develop, influence and deliver corporate objectives.
- Accountable for cross cutting work and driving corporate performance.

Experience and skills

- Leadership experience A leader at Executive or Board level, successfully leading a multi-skilled and/or multi-functional team in a complex and agile organisation.
- *Transformation delivery* An ability to manage complex programmes and projects, resources, budgets and stakeholders to improve policy, service outcomes and deliver value for money.
- Organisational awareness Able to understand and balance the national financial landscape, public policy, public sector challenges, best practice, governance and delivery of services.
- Political acumen Proven track record of working within a complex political environment, considering political interest and requirements, and able to liaise, advise, engage, guide, gain buy-in and support councillors.
- Partnership working Extensive experience of working with a wider range of partners to build trust and leverage maximum value from given resources and opportunities.
- Culture change An influential and motivational communicator, who engages with a diverse group of stakeholders to find creative solutions, challenge the norm and deliver successful change.
- Governance Able to operate in complex governance structures, meeting specific budget, professional and legal standards, whilst upholding all Council and statutory responsibilities.
- *Digital driver* A leader who is focussed on digital opportunities, utilising technological best practice, insight, appropriate data and customer needs to support future solutions.
- External Ambassador An expert communicator who can engage widely and promote Cambridge City within a national forum.

Leadership Qualities

- Authentic A genuine and visible leader who is focused on our people, taking time to understand and ensure we develop, motivate and understand the needs of others. Acts with humility, is resilient and able to coach and inspire people to be the best they can be.
- Outcome Driven prioritises delivering the very best outcomes for our customers, residents and stakeholders. Empowers others to improve customer experience, challenge processes, measuring impact and taking action to achieve better outcomes.
- Empathetic collaborator Has a strong sense of purpose, acting with integrity. Builds relationships and networks, engages widely, and encourages groups to work, listen, learn, reflect, and deliver.
- Influential Assertive and inspirational, with the confidence to challenge and persuade. Able to manage complex, contentious, and high-profile stakeholder engagement, displaying moral courage and empathy for different perspectives to elicit buy-in from all.
- Ambitious An energetic corporate leader, who leads by example and inspires trust across teams
 to prioritise the strategic direction, promote innovation, is future orientated and takes ownership
 for decisions.
- Courageous Positive and solution focused, looking at information and insights in new ways, navigates complexity and advocates new approaches. Is comfortable making difficult decisions, and to 'stretch' themselves and their teams.

Other features of the post:

- This position has been identified as a politically restricted post under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- Working in a flexible way (location, hours and activities) to meet the needs of the role, this includes attendance at evening committee meetings.
- Participating in Emergency Planning, weekend duty cover and response activities as required.
- To deliver any other duties as reasonably required by the role.

Appendix B – Tier 3 Assistant Director and Head of Service Role Profile

Job Role & Key Accountabilities

- To be accountable for delivering clusters of Council services; leading, coaching, and inspiring a collaborative culture which delivers successful, coherent and sustainable cost-effective services.
- To work collaboratively with wider leadership team and elected Members to develop and communicate a clear vision, develop and deliver the Council's budget, explore new opportunities, define and deliver policies and plans, and align services to ensure these are achieved.
- To lead by example, transforming ways of operating, whilst fostering and promoting organisational values, behaviours and culture,
- To create and develop high performing teams where employees are engaged, valued, developed, empowered to challenge, and have the autonomy to work in a flexible way.
- To deliver agreed outcomes for residents and the city by working across the council, partners and community.
- To provide strong governance, whilst ensuring effective support, insight, clear and accurate advice, creative thinking, and appropriate challenge for colleagues and the services you manage.
- To deputise as agreed, being accountable for the management and delivery of all functions in the Directorate as delegated/devolved by the Director/Chief Operating Officer.

Specific responsibilities:

It is recognised that the responsibilities of tier 3 leaders vary to meet the demands of a specific role, cluster of Council services and priorities within the corporate plan. The table below captures examples of the expected responsibilities and how these are differentiated within tier 3.

Tier 3A specific responsibilities (Assistant Director)	Tier 3B specific responsibilities (Head of Service)			
Line Managed by Chief Executive	Line managed by Director or Assistant Director (Tier 2 or 3A)			
Deputises for Chief Executive on relevant area / specifics	Support Director or Assistant Director (Tier 2 and 3A) to discharge their duties, deputising for some Directorates.			
Member of Leadership Team	Invited to attend Leadership Team			
Responsible for strategy, delivery, operational management and budget of more than two clusters of council business Develop, influence and deliver corporate objectives and accountable for cross cutting work and driving corporate performance	Responsible for strategy, delivery, operational management and budget of one or two clusters of council business Support Director or Assistant Director (Tiers 2 / 3A) to develop and deliver corporate objectives, cross cutting work and corporate			
Provides and delivers a clear vision and leadership for strategic clusters Provides and delivers a clear vision and leadership for clusters of council business				
Provides detailed guidance and knowledge on area of expertise (may require qualification)				
Line Manager for relevant operational / specific expertise functions				

Experience and skills

- Leadership experience Experience of leading diverse workforces within a multi-skilled and/or multi-functional service covering one or more of the major disciplines in a complex organisation.
- Organisational awareness Able to understand and balance public policy, national and public sector challenges, best practice, governance and delivery of services.
- Political acumen Proven track record of working within a political environment, being able to
 work within specified governance arrangements to advise, engage, gain buy-in and support
 councillors.
- Service delivery An understanding of relevant legislation, regulations and standards, and the
 ability to manage complex programmes and projects, resources, budgets and stakeholders to
 improve policy and service outcomes.
- Partnership working Extensive experience of working with a wider range of partners and stakeholders to build trust and leverage maximum value.
- Culture change A motivational communicator, who engages widely to find creative solutions, challenge the norm and deliver successful change.
- *Digital driver* Focussed on digital opportunities, utilising technological best practice, insight, appropriate data and customer needs to deliver future solutions.
- External Ambassador An expert communicator who can engage and promote Cambridge City within a national forum.

Qualities

- Authentic A genuine and visible leader who is focused on our people, taking time to understand and ensure we develop, motivate and understand the needs of others. Acts with humility, is resilient and able to coach and inspire people to be the best they can be.
- Outcome Driven prioritises delivering the very best outcomes for our customers, residents and stakeholders. Empowers others to improve customer experience, challenge processes, measuring impact and taking action to achieve better outcomes.
- *Empathetic collaborator* Has a strong sense of purpose, acting with integrity. Builds relationships and networks, engages widely, and encourages groups to work, listen, learn, reflect, and deliver.
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- Ambitious An energetic corporate leader, who leads by example and inspires trust across teams
 to prioritise the strategic direction, promote innovation, is future orientated and takes ownership
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Other features of the post:

- This position has been identified as a politically restricted post under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- Working in a flexible way (location, hours and activities) to meet the needs of the role, this includes attendance at evening committee meetings.
- Participating in Emergency Planning, weekend duty cover and response activities as required.
- To deliver any other duties as reasonably required by the role.