

# Roles and Functions of Elected Members

## 3.1 Composition and eligibility

(a) **Composition.** The Council will comprise 60 members, otherwise called councillors. Three councillors will be elected by the voters of each ward in accordance with a scheme drawn up by the Electoral Commission and approved by the Secretary of State.

(b) **Eligibility.** In general terms, only registered voters of the City of Westminster or those living or working there, who have reached 18 years of age, will be eligible to hold the office of councillor. (The detailed rules for qualification are set out in Section 79 of the Local Government Act 1972).

## 3.2 Election and terms of office of councillors

**Election and terms.** The regular election of councillors will be held on the first Thursday in May every four years. The next elections are due on 5 May 2022. The terms of office of councillors will start on the fourth day after being elected and will finish on the fourth day after the date of the next regular election.

## 3.3 Roles and functions of all Councillors

(a) **Key roles.** All councillors will:

- (i) collectively be the ultimate policy-makers and carry out a number of strategic and corporate management functions;
- (ii) contribute to the good governance of the area and actively encourage community participation and citizen involvement in decision making;
- (iii) effectively represent the interests of their ward and of individual constituents;
- (iv) respond to constituents' enquiries and representations, fairly and impartially;
- (v) participate in the governance and management of the Council; and
- (vi) maintain the highest standards of conduct and ethics.

(b) **Rights and duties**

- (i) Councillors will, subject to statute and the Council's Constitution, have such rights of access to such documents, information, land and buildings of the Council as are necessary for the proper discharge of their functions and in accordance with the law.

- (ii) Councillors will not make public information which is confidential or exempt without the consent of the Council or divulge information given in confidence to anyone other than a councillor or officer entitled to know it.
- (iii) For these purposes, "confidential" and "exempt" information is defined in the Access to Information Rules in Part 4 of this Constitution.

### **3.4 Conduct**

Councillors will at all times observe the Members' Code of Conduct and the Protocol on Member/Officer Relations set out in Chapter 7 of this Constitution.

### **3.5 Allowances**

Councillors will be entitled to receive allowances in accordance with the Members' Allowances Scheme set out in Chapter 11 of this Constitution.

## CITY OF WESTMINSTER

### RETURN OF COUNCILLORS

<b>Abbey Road</b>	Amanda Langford	(Conservative)
	Alan Mendoza	(Conservative)
	Caroline Sargent	(Conservative)
<b>Bayswater</b>	Maggie Carman	(Labour)
	James Small-Edwards	(Labour & Co-operative)
	Max Sullivan	(Labour)
<b>Church Street</b>	Aicha Less	(Labour)
	Matt Noble	(Labour)
	Aziz Toki	(Labour)
<b>Harrow Road</b>	Concia Albert	(Labour)
	Ruth Bush	(Labour)
	Tim Roca	(Labour)
<b>Hyde Park</b>	Md Shamsed Chowdhury	(Labour)
	Paul Dimoldenberg	(Labour)
	Judith Southern	(Labour)
<b>Knightsbridge and Belgravia</b>	Antony Devenish	(Conservative)
	Elizabeth Hitchcock	(Conservative)
	Rachael Robathan	(Conservative)
<b>Lancaster Gate</b>	Laila Dupuy	(Conservative)
	Ryan Jude	(Labour)
	Ellie Ormsby	(Labour & Co-operative)
<b>Little Venice</b>	Melvyn Caplan	(Conservative)
	Lorraine Dean	(Conservative)
	Sara Hassan	(Labour)
<b>Maida Vale</b>	Geoff Barraclough	(Labour)
	Nafsika Butler-Thalassis	(Labour)
	Iman Less	(Labour)
<b>Marylebone</b>	Barbara Arzymanow	(Conservative)
	Ian Rowley	(Conservative)
	Karen Scarborough	(Conservative)
<b>Pimlico North</b>	Ed Pitt Ford	(Conservative)
	Jim Glen	(Conservative)
	Jacqui Wilkinson	(Conservative)

<b>Pimlico South</b>	Liza Begum	(Labour)
	Robert Eagleton	(Labour)
	Jason Williams	(Labour)
<b>Queen's Park</b>	Patricia McAllister	(Labour)
	Cara Sanquest	(Labour)
	Hamza Taouzzale	(Labour)
<b>Regent's Park</b>	Ralu Oteh-Osoka	(Conservative)
	Robert Rigby	(Conservative)
	Paul Swaddle	(Conservative)
<b>St James's</b>	Louise Hyams	(Conservative)
	Tim Mitchell	(Conservative)
	Mark Shearer	(Conservative)
<b>Vincent Square</b>	Gillian Arrindell	(Labour)
	David Harvey	(Conservative)
	Selina Short	(Conservative)
<b>West End</b>	Paul Fisher	(Labour)
	Patrick Lilley	(Labour)
	Jessica Toale	(Labour)
<b>Westbourne</b>	David Boothroyd	(Labour)
	Adam Hug	(Labour)
	Angela Piddock	(Labour)