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Change in governance arrangements

At the Full Council meeting on 15 July 2021, Canterbury City Council resolved to make a change in its governance arrangements pursuant to Sections 9K, 9KC and 9L of the Local Government Act 2000 as inserted by the Localism Act 2011

The council resolved:

- (a) that the Leader and Cabinet system be adopted, and that the Chief Executive be authorised to carry out the appropriate follow-up action as required in law.
- (b) that consultation on the configuration of the new system, if supported, should be undertaken including an online and paper questionnaire and public and/or stakeholder meetings.

Council will move to a Leader and Cabinet based structure to be designed, finalised and in place to take effect from the Annual Council meeting on 18 May 2022.

The main character of the change is to remove the 'Committee' form of governance that the council has operated since 2015 and replace it with a 'Leader and Cabinet' form of governance.

This new form of governance will result in the executive functions of the council being dealt with by the Leader and Cabinet subject to the general oversight of the council.

A copy of the document setting out the provisions of the arrangements that are to have effect following the resolution are available for inspection, by appointment, at the Council Offices, Military Road, Canterbury CT1 1YW, or alternatively they can be viewed here.

The council is consulting on the configuration of the new governance arrangements from Tuesday 3 August until 25 October 2021. People are invited to give their views about the proposals by responding to the questionnaire on the council's website: news.canterbury.gov.uk/latest-consultations

In the coming months, proposals for the new form of governance will be made available at the council offices and published on the council's website www.canterbury.gov.uk

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