

Leonard reshuffles his shadow cabinet

Scottish Labour Leader, Richard Leonard MSP, has made some changes to his senior team in a reshuffle of his Shadow Cabinet.



Richard Leonard MSP leader of Scottish Labour
The new team is comprised of:

- Richard Leonard MSP Leader of the Scottish Labour Party and Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
- Lesley Laird MP Shadow Secretary of State for Scotland and Deputy Leader
- Elaine Smith MSP Business Manager
- Rhoda Grant MSP Finance, Jobs and Fair Work
- Alex Rowley MSP Brexit & the Constitution
- Iain Gray MSP Education, Skills and Science
- Monica Lennon MSP Health and Sport
- Claudia Beamish MSP Environment, Climate Change and Land

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- Pauline McNeill MSP Communities and Equalities
- James Kelly MSP Justice
- Claire Baker MSP Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
- Sarah Boyack MSP Local Government
- Colin Smyth MSP Rural Economy, Transport Connectivity
- David Stewart MSP Eradication of Poverty & Social Inequality
- Joe Cullinane, Leader of North Ayrshire Council Campaigns and Party Engagement

Speaking on the refresh of the Shadow Cabinet at Holyrood, Mr Leonard said: “We begin this new parliamentary term, at one of the most important times in our political history. “I am confident that our new shadow cabinet team have the expertise, experience and enthusiasm to both hold the SNP government to account and to put forward the distinctive Scottish Labour alternative. The new team will renew the energy across our party ahead of the 2021 Holyrood elections. “We know that we need to make a strong case based on Labour values with voters and work closely with our dedicated members across the country. That is why the Leader of North Ayrshire Council, Joe Cullinane, has been appointed to lead on campaigns and party engagement. He is a seasoned campaigner working hard in his local community and the experience he brings will be a great asset to our team. “I am also delighted to welcome Sarah Boyack back to the Scottish Parliament and to our shadow cabinet in the local government role. Sarah will be a strong addition to our team.”