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Our Ref: FOI 8964

Dear Fergus Wilson

Thank you for your email of the 23 April asking for further information into the make-up of our legal services department.

Please find attached an updated organisational structure for the Law and Governance Corporate Directorship showing the most up-to-date information. For ease of reading I have removed all those departments and positions not associated with legal services.

From this I can inform you that the following job roles can be found in legal services:

Corporate Director (Law and Governance) (1003B)  
Vacant Head of Legal and Democracy (6338A)  
Principal Solicitor (Strategic Development) (1012A)  
Vacant Principal Solicitor (Property & Projects) (1032A)  
Principal Litigator (6497A)  
Principal Solicitor (Procurement) (1035A)  
Legal Support Officer (1010A)  
Legal Support Officer (6056A)  
Senior Planning and Development Solicitor (0007A)  
Vacant Senior Planning and Development Lawyer (6111B)  
Vacant Senior Solicitor (Strategic Development) (6111A)  
Senior Planning Lawyer (6073B)  
Deputy Principal Solicitor (Planning/Section 106) (3705A)  
Senior Legal Assistant (1008A)  
Senior Legal Assistant (1006A)  
Legal Assistant (1009A)  
Senior Legal Assistant (1007A)

I note that you refer to individuals employed by the council, where their qualifications or professional memberships are listed on various websites such as the Law Society. The decision to do this would be down to the individual and would not impact on our decision to release the number of individuals holding specific qualifications or professional memberships.

This now concludes our handling of FOI 8964



Kind regards

Freedom of Information Team

If you are not content with the outcome of this response you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF; [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk); Tel. 0303 123 1113.

Corporate Director (Law and Governance)

Corporate Director (Law and Governance) (1003B) Law and Governance MG2 - 37hrs Permanent											
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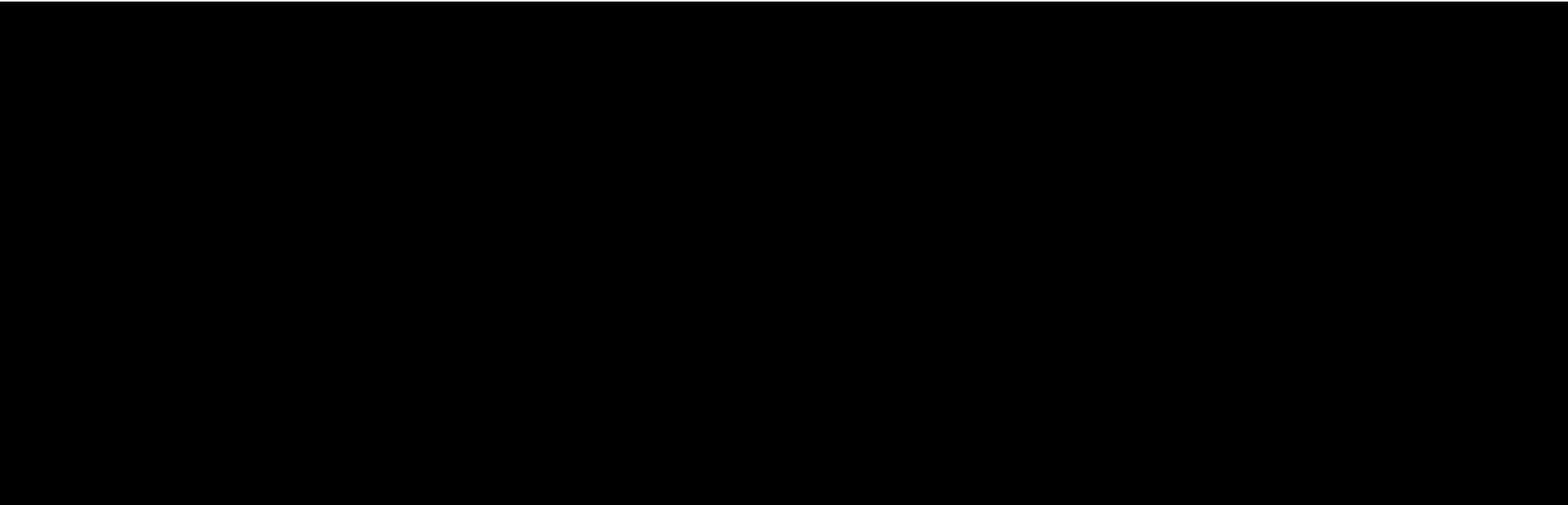
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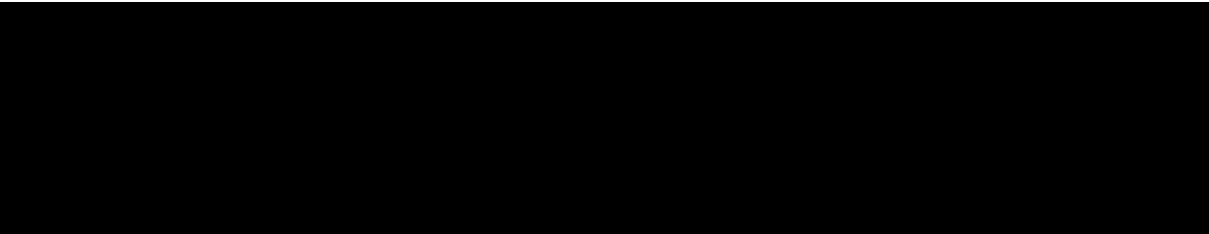
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<b>Principal Solicitor (Strategic Development) (1012A)</b> Legal Services MG5 - 37hrs Permanent				
Senior Planning and Development Solicitor (0007A) Legal Services MG7 - 37hrs Permanent	VacantSenior Planning and Development Lawyer (6111B) Legal Services - 37hrs Permanent	VacantSenior Solicitor (Strategic Development) (6111A) Legal Services - 37hrs Permanent	Senior Planning Lawyer (6073B) Legal Services MG6 - 37hrs Permanent	Deputy Principal Solicitor - Planning/Section 106 (3705A) Legal Services MG5 - 22.2hrs Fixed Term



<b>Principal Solicitor (Procurement) (1035A)</b> Legal Services MG6 - 37hrs Permanent			
Senior Legal Assistant (1008A) Legal Services MG8 - 37hrs Permanent	Senior Legal Assistant (1006A) Legal Services MG8 - 37hrs Permanent	Legal Assistant (1009A) Legal Services SCP 28-31 - 37hrs Permanent	Senior Legal Assistant (1007A) Legal Services SCP 36-39 - 37hrs Permanent

