

List of Agency Decision Makers, Designated Managers and Nominated Officers

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Designated Managers with Specified Area of Responsibility

Designated Managers with Specified Area of Responsibility	Post Title and Contact Details
<p>Agency Decision Maker (Adoption)</p> <p>The Agency Decision Maker who makes decisions on all adoption matters (some of which will be made on the basis of a recommendation of the Adoption Panel).</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Service, Quality Assurance jane.sprague@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Service, Assessment and Safeguarding kelly.brewer@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Agency Decision Maker (Fostering)</p> <p>The Agency Decision Maker who makes decisions on fostering matters (based on recommendations of the Fostering Panel, or/and when there are recommendations for approval change).</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Service, Quality Assurance jane.sprague@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Service, Assessment and Safeguarding kelly.brewer@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Agency Decision Maker (Fostering)</p> <p>The Agency Decision Maker who makes decisions on continued approval of foster carers, when there are no recommended changes to approval following a fostering review.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Operations Manager, Fostering Matthew.randles@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Independent Safeguarding Review Officer jane.ledwood@somerset.gov.uk</p>

<p>Agency Decision Maker (Fostering/Kinship)</p> <p>The Agency Decision Maker who makes decisions on continued approval of kinship foster carers, when there are no recommended changes to approval following a fostering review.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Operations Manager, Permanence and Wellbeing lisa.walker@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Independent Safeguarding Review Officer jane.ledwood@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Adoption Panel Appointments)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise appointments to the Central List of Adoption Panel members.</p>	<p>This is now held by Adopt South West the regional adoption agency.</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Adoption Support)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the level of adoption support to be provided to children, adopters (including financial support) and their family or birth family members.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Executive Director Children and Families Claire.winter@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Care Plans)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the final Care Plan to be taken before the Court within Care Proceedings.</p>	<p>Any operations manager responsible for oversight of the case.</p>

<p>Designated Manager (Care Proceedings)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the initiating of Care Proceedings.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Legal Gateway Panel Chair</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Change of Name)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the change of name of a Looked After Child.</p>	<p>Please see management delegation chart.</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Contact with Parents)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the suspension or termination of contact between a Looked After child and his or her parents (subject to the Court's approval after 7 days for children on Emergency Protection Orders, Interim Care Orders or Care Orders).</p>	<p>Any operations manager responsible for oversight of the case.</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Death or Serious Injury to a Child)</p> <p>The senior manager who should be notified in the event of death or serious injury to a child.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Executive Director Children and Families Claire.winter@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>

<p>Designated Manager (Decision to Look After)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise a child becoming Looked After.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Legal Gateway Panel Chair</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Emergency Protection Orders)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise an application for an Emergency Protection Order.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Delegated Head of Service</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Emigration)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the placement of a Looked after child outside England and Wales.</p>	<p>Please see management delegation chart.</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Exemptions and Extensions from Fostering Limit)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise any exemptions from the usual fostering limit for foster carers living in the local authority area.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Operations Manager, Fostering Matthew.randles@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Operations Manager, Permanence and Wellbeing lisa.walker@somerset.gov.uk</p>

<p>Designated Manager (External Placements)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise placements of Looked After children with external providers of residential care or foster carers from an independent fostering agency.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Fostering Panel Appointments)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise appointments to the Central List of Fostering Panel members</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Operations Manager, Fostering Matthew.randles@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Leaving Care)</p> <p>The manager who can approve a Pathway Plan.</p>	<p>Any team leader/manager or above who is responsible for the child concerned.</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Notifications)</p> <p>Where a Looked After Child from another local authority has been placed in the area, the manager to whom the notification should be sent.</p>	<p>Post title: Placements team manager</p> <p>Contact details: Somerset direct</p>

<p>Designated Manager (Passports)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise a passport application for a Looked After child.</p>	<p>Please see management delegation chart.</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Placement Orders)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise an application for a Placement Order.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Executive Director Children and Families Claire.winter@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Service, Quality Assurance jane.sprague@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Service, Assessment and Safeguarding kelly.brewer@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Private Fostering)</p> <p>The manager who can approve assessments of private foster carers, impose requirements on private foster carers or decide to prohibit someone from acting as a private foster carer.</p>	<p>Any operations manager responsible for the management of the case.</p>

<p>Designated Manager (Secure Accommodation)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise: A placement of a Looked After child in secure accommodation for up to 72 hours without a Secure Accommodation Order; and/or An application for a Secure Accommodation Order; and/or A child's continued secure placement on the recommendation of the Secure Accommodation Review Panel; and/or Applications to renewal Secure Accommodation Orders on the recommendation of the Secure Accommodation Review Panel.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Executive Director Children and Families Claire.winter@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Special Guardianship)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise Special Guardianship as the permanence plan for a Looked After child.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Designated Manager (Special Guardianship Support)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the level of special guardianship support to be provided, including financial support to special guardians.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>

<p>Nominated Officer (Disruption of Education)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the change of placement affecting a Looked After child in Key Stage 4.</p>	<p>The Operations manager responsible for the management of the case.</p>
<p>Nominated Officer (Fostering for Adoption)</p> <p>The person who can authorise Fostering for Adoption.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Nominated Officer (Out of Area Placements)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the placement of a Looked After child outside the area of the local authority.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Service Director Children and Families jayne.shelbournbarrow@somerset.gov.uk</p>
<p>Nominated Officer (Immediate Placement of a Looked After Child with Connected Person)</p> <p>The manager who can authorise the placement of a Looked After child with a family or friend ('Connected Person') who is not already approved as a foster carer.</p>	<p>Post title and Contact details:</p> <p>Head of Service CLA, Leaving Care, Permanence and CwD jo.manning@somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>Operations Manager, Permanence and Wellbeing lisa.walker@somerset.gov.uk</p>

**Nominated Officer
(Placement of a Looked
After Child subject to
Care Order or Interim
Care Order with
Parents)**

The manager who can authorise the placement of a Looked After child with a parent, person with Parental Responsibility or person who held a Residence Order/Child Arrangements Order specifying with whom the child was to reside immediately before the Care Order.

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