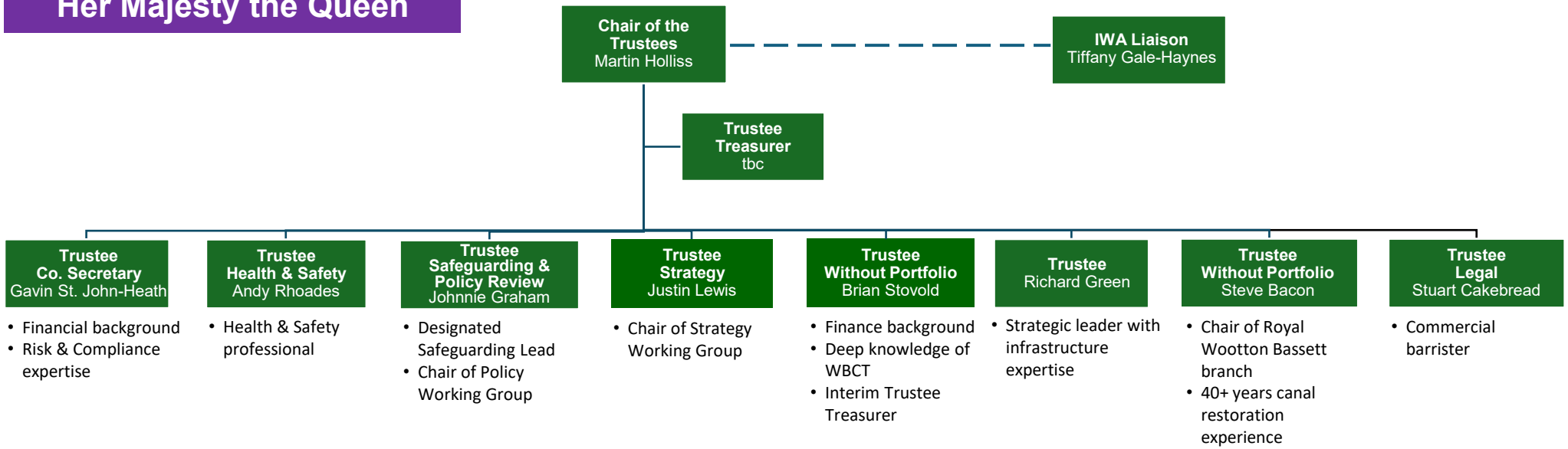
Trust Council

Legal responsibility for WBCT – governance (including Policies), national-level advocacy, overarching strategy

Patron:
Her Majesty the Queen



Trustee-led Committees

Policy Working Group (Chair: Johnnie Graham)
Strategy Working Group (Chair: Justin Lewis)
50th Anniversary Steering Group (Chair: Martin Holliss)

Executive Board and Branch Structure

Responsible for tactical strategy, operational decisions and procedures

CEO
Mike Gibbin

- Executive Board Leadership
- Strategy Development
- Master Plan Leadership

Deputy CEO
Ron Crook

- Assisting and deputising for the CEO
- Public advocacy
- Council engagement

Finance Director
Scott Curtis

- Order, Invoice and Cash Management
- Account Management
- Budget Planning
- Financial Compliance and Reporting

Funding Director
Steve Woods

- Funding and income development

Admin Director
TBC

- HR
- Policy Register
- Legal
- Insurance *
- Risk

** Pro tem, insurance is being handled by Martin Holliss*

Systems Director
Steve Roberts (interim)

- IT/Systems

Project & Programmes Director
Peter Thomas (Interim)

- Land and Property
- Major Project Management

Engineering Director
Gavin Maxwell-Hart

- Canal Layout
- Drawing/CAD prep
- Technical specs
- Design management
- Engineering Standards
- Temporary Works
- Site engineering
- Planning

Nature & Biodiversity Director
Ceri Heathcote

- Protect and enhance natural ecosystems and biodiversity

Dev't Director Connect Prog Vice-Chair
Paul Mumford

- 5-year business plan development

Melksham Link Programme Chair
Denis Hellewell

- Also Chair of MPP Committee

Advocacy Director
Chloe Ford

- Advocacy and external engagement across the Trust

COO
Peter Thomas

Branches:

Melksham, Chippenham, Calne, Foxham & Lyneham	Royal Wootton Bassett	Swindon	West Vale	East Vale	Boats
Howard Wilson	Steve Bacon	Chloe Ford	TBC	Richard Shackleton	TBC

WBCT Committee Membership

Ensuring cross communication, sharing of resources and consistency across the Trust

Senior Leadership Team
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Steve Bacon
Chris Barry
Chris Churchouse
Patricia Clements (Sec)
Dave Cook
Max Crofts
Ron Crook
Chloe Ford
Mike Gibbin (Chair)
Jonathan Goring
Rod Hacker
Ceri Heathcote
Paul Lenaerts
Gavin Maxwell-Hart
Paul Mumford
Peter Scatchard
Richard Shackleton
Peter Thomas
Howard Wilson
Steve Roberts
Steve Woods
John Henn

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Major Projects and Programming
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Denis Hellewell (Chair)

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Gary Kenyon (Secretary)

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Patricia Clements (Head of Admin)

Engineering Committee
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Gavin Maxwell-Hart (Chair)
Rod Hacker (Secretary)

OpsComm
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Peter Thomas (Chair)
John Goring (Secretary)

Land Team
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Max Crofts (Head)
Richard O'Hanlon
Brian Poulton

Systems Team

Steve Roberts (Interim chair)
Chris Churchouse
Peggy-Sue Ford

Environmental Hub

Ceri Heathcote (Chair)
Howard Yardy

Comms Committee

Rachel Gear (Head)
Chloe Ford (Secretary)

Advocacy Steering Group
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Chloe Ford (Head)

Towpath Challenge

TBC (Chair)

Steering Group for Melksham Link project

Paul Lenaerts (Chair)

Steering Group for Pewsham Waterside project

Ron Crook (Chair)

Steering Group for RWB to Swindon project

Mike Gibbin (Chair)
Paul Mumford (Vice Chair)
Chloe Ford

Steering Group for Bringing Boats Back To Wantage project

Gavin Maxwell-Hart (Chair)
Iain MacGregor (PM)

50th Anniversary Celebrations Team

Steve Bacon
Chris Barry
Peggy-Sue Ford
Chloe Ford
Robin Earle
Johnnie Graham
John Henn
Martin Holliss
Gary Kenyon
David Lynch
Basil Raddy
David Wheaton
Franco de la Croix-Vaubois
Howard Yardy