Mid Sussex District Council Workforce Monitoring Statistics 2020/21

This document provides staff data that the Council is obliged to publish under equality based legislation. Included are statutorily required statistics around ethnicity, disability, sex and age. The table below sets out the information contained in the document. Data is based on staff employed on 31st March 2021.

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SECTION ONE - STAFF CHARACTERISTICS

Table 1: Classification of BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) Staff

The table below shows the numbers of different categories of staff in each salary grade.

A - White British, Irish, any other White Background

B – Mixed White and Black Caribbean, White and Black African, White and Asian, Any other

mixed background

C - Asian or Asian British Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, any other Asian background

D - Black or Black British Caribbean, African, Any other black background

E - Chinese or other Ethnic Group Chinese, or any other ethnic group

X - not known or stated Not known or stated

Numbers of staff in each ethnic category:

Grade	А	В	С	D	E	х	Total for each band			
	Mid Sussex Grades									
MS3	4	0	0	1	0	4	9			
MS4	24	1	2	1	0	39	67			
MS5	16	0	1	0	0	23	40			
MS6	20	0	1	1	0	24	46			
MSO	21	1	1	1	0	21	45			
MPO1	11	0	0	0	0	17	28			
MPO2	20	0	0	0	1	18	39			
MPO3	9	0	1	0	0	12	22			
MPO6	3	0	0	0	0	1	4			
MPO8	2	0	0	0	0	0	2			
Chief Officer	1	0	0	0	0	4	5			
Apprentice	1	0	0	0	0	0	1			

Total 137 2 6 4 1 163 308

^{4.2%} of our staff do not come under category A of White British, Irish or other white background. Just counting those who stated their ethnicity, the proportion is 9.0%. The 2011 census data for the Mid Sussex working age population who are not category A is 5.2%. The breakdowns for the ethnicity of the Mid Sussex working age population from the 2011 census data are: A 94.8%, B 1.1%, C 3.1%, D 0.7% and E 0.3%.

Table 2: Disability of Staff

Grade	Number
MS4	5
MS5	3
MS6	3
MSO	5
MPO1	1
MPO2	6
MPO3	4

Total disability 27
Total no of staff 308
Total as % 8.76%

The definition of disability is derived from the Equality Act. This defines a disabled person as someone who has a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

Table 3 breakdown of numbers by types of disability

Type of disability	Number
Cognitive/learning difficulties	2
Mental Health	2
Physical (including co-ordination/mobility)	6
Sensory (visual/hearing impairment)	3
Other	4
Not stated	10
Total	27

The Council is a 'Disability Confident Committed' employer, recognising our commitment to the employment, retention, training and career development of disabled employees.

Table 4: Representation of age groups across grades

	Age Group					
Grade	<21	21-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	≥ 60
		Mid Su	ıssex Grades			
MS3	0	0	3	1	2	3
MS4	2	12	10	12	20	11
MS5	0	4	7	13	11	5
MS6	0	8	9	12	16	1
MSO	0	2	12	12	15	4
MPO1	0	0	9	4	12	3
MPO2	0	0	7	12	18	2
MPO3	0	0	5	7	8	2
MPO6	0	0	0	1	2	1
MPO8	0	0	0	1	1	0
Chief Officer	0	0	0	0	4	1
Apprentice	0	1	0	0	0	0

Total 2 (1%) 27 (8.8%) 62 (20.1%) 75 (24.4%) 109 (35.4%) 33 (10.7%)

Mid Sussex working age population (from Census 2011 data)

8.5% 14.8% 20.0% 25.3% 20.8% 10.6%

The age profile of our workforce shows a particular lack of under 21 year olds compared to the age profile of the Mid Sussex working age population. 70.5% of staff are over 40 compared to 56.7% in the Mid Sussex working age population. The abolition of the default retirement age has enabled staff to continue working beyond age 65 without restriction. There are 10 staff working at the Council beyond the age of 65.

Table 5: Split by sex across Grades

Gender split across grades:

	Male		Female		All		
Grade	Number	%	Number	%	Total		
Mid Sussex Grades							
MS3	2	1.6	7	3.82	9		
MS4	23	18.4	44	24.04	67		
MS5	11	8.8	29	15.85	40		
MS6	16	12.8	30	16.39	46		
MSO	19	15.2	26	14.21	45		
MPO1	11	8.8	17	9.29	28		
MPO2	24	19.2	15	8.20	39		
MPO3	11	8.8	11	6.01	22		
MPO6	4	3.2	0	0	4		
MPO8	1	0.8	1	0.55	2		
Chief Officer	3	2.4	2	1.09	5		
Apprentice	0	0	1	0.55	0		
Total	125	40.6%	183	59.4%	308		

Figures from the 2011 Census for the Mid Sussex working age population show that the split of the working age population is 49.6% male and 50.4% female. The split for the Council's workforce is 40.6% male and 59.4% female. 40% of Chief Officers are female. Overall 229 (74.4%) of staff are full-time and 79 (25.6%) part-time. 86% of part-time staff are female and they make up 50% of the full-time staff.

The Council's gender pay gap in 2020/21 was 11.9% calculated by comparing the mean average male and female employee pay. This compares to 10.9% in 2019/20. The Council's median average gender pay gap for 2020/21 was 10.8%, compared to 10.0% in the previous year. This compares to the ONS 2021 national median average pay gap of 15.4% for all employees and 16.6% for Local Government administrative staff. The Council's Quartile gender pay distributions are shown below:

Upper Quartile-	Men 58.44%	Women 41.56%
Upper Middle Quartile	Men 40.26%	Women 59.74%
Lower Middle Quartile	Men 31.17%	Women 68.83%
Lower Quartile	Men 32 46%	Women 67 54%

Legislation also requires information to be published in respect of bonus pay gender gaps, which is not relevant to Mid Sussex District Council as the Council does not provide bonus pay as specified in the Act.

Link to ONS pay gap information for 2021

Gender pay gap in the UK - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)

SECTION TWO-EMPLOYEE RELATIONS ACTIVITY

Table 6 Breakdown of staff involved in Disciplinary, Grievance, Capability, Bullying/Harassment cases

A - White British, Irish, any other White Background

White and Black Caribbean, White and Black African, White and Asian,

B – Mixed Any other mixed background

C - Asian or Asian British Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, any other Asian background

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		Disciplinary	Grievance	Capability	Bullying / Harassment
Ethnicity:	Α	1	0	0	0
	В	0	0	0	0
	С	0	0	0	0
	D	0	0	0	0
	E	0	0	0	0
	Χ	2	1	0	0
Disability			1	0	0
Male		1	0	0	0
Female		2	1	0	0

Change of Grade

Between April 2020 and March 2021, 11 staff were affected by a change of grade. Analysis is as follows:

8 Male, 3 Female

0 staff from BME background

2 employees declared a disability

SECTION THREE - RECRUITMENT

Table 7 Ethnicity of Applicants, Shortlisted and Appointments:

A - White British, Irish, any other White Background

B – Mixed White and Black Caribbean, White and Black African, White and Asian,

Any other mixed background

C - Asian or Asian British Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, any other Asian background

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Ethnicity	Applicant		Shortlisted		New Appointees	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	
Α	491	79.97	100	79.97	25	
В	19	3.09	6	4.76	0	
С	46	7.49	8	6.34	1	
D	24	3.91	3	2.38	1	
Е	8	1.3	3	2.38	0	
Х	17	4.24	4	4.17	0	

Total 605 100% 124 100% 27

Table 8 Disabled Applicants, Shortlisted and Appointments:

Disability	Applicant		Shortlisted		New Appointees	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	
Disabled	25	4.07	9	7.14	3	

Total number of applicants: 605

Number of applicants not declaring their disability status: 8 (1.3%)

The Council is a 'Disability Confident Committed' employer, which includes a commitment to interview all disabled applicants who meet the minimum criteria for a job vacancy and to consider them on their abilities.

Table 9 Sex of Applicants, Shortlisted and Appointments:

	Applicant		Shortlisted		New Appointees
	No.	%	No.	%	No.
Female	290	47.23	68	53.97	12
Male	306	49.84	54	42.97	14
Prefer not to say	9	2.93	4	3.06	1

Total 605 100% 126 100% 27

Applicants with an Armed Forces connection = 15 applied 2 shortlisted 1 recruited

The Council has the Bronze Employer Recognition Scheme, which shows support for the Armed Forces community through its employment policies. Initiatives associated with this have included the adoption of a guaranteed interview scheme for suitably qualified applicants with an armed forces connection and proper recognition in the Council's employment policies of provision for members of the Reserve Forces.

Table 10 Age breakdown of new staff

<21	21-25	26-35	36-45	46-55	56-59	>60
0	2	12	8	13	0	0

SECTION 4 - LEAVERS

Total number of voluntary leavers for 2020/21: 25

Analysis of Leavers:

Ethnicity: 9 White

1 Mixed

15 Prefer not to say

Disability: 2

Sex: 11 Female, 14 Male

Table 11 Age breakdown of leavers:

<21	21-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	>60
0	7	5	3	5	5

Maternity Leave

2 members of staff commenced maternity leave during 2020/21.

2 members of staff ended maternity leave in 2020/21. One returned to work in their part-time post and one full-time staff membe returned part-time.

Paternity Leave

4 members of staff took paternity leave in this period.