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## **SPD parliamentarians and city association chairman visit Bocholt's administrative leadership**

For an exchange of experience and information, the SPD Member of the Bundestag for the constituency of Borken, Nadine Heselhaus, met with Bocholt Mayor Thomas Kerkhoff in the Bocholt administration building on Thursday. Heselhaus was accompanied by Bocholt SPD member of the state parliament Nina Andrieshen and the chairman of the Bocholt municipal association Tim Schülingkamp. From the side of the city administration, treasurer Jennifer Schlaghecken took part.

Heselhaus and Andrieshen reported on their daily parliamentary routine in Berlin and Düsseldorf, respectively, and inquired from the Bocholt city leadership about important projects and concerns in Bocholt. Mayor Kerkhoff and treasurer Schlaghecken made it clear that adequate financial resources are the basis of municipal performance and that this should be promoted by the federal and state governments. Bureaucratic simplification in connection with government funding programs was equally desirable from the point of view of municipalities, as Kerkhoff noted: "'Letting go of the golden reins' and giving us municipalities more room to maneuver."

The roundtable agreed to remain in regular exchange.

### **Background**

Having grown up in Düsseldorf, the district of Borken and her place of residence Raesfeld have become her adopted home for Nadine Heselhaus. The qualified administrative economist worked as an auditor for finances at the Municipal Audit Office of North Rhine-Westphalia. She has been politically active since 2007. Before becoming a member of the Bundestag in 2021, she was a member of the district council of the Borken district. As a member of the Bundestag, Nadine Heselhaus is a member of the committees for finance and environment, nature conservation, nuclear safety and consumer protection.

Nina Andrieshen from Bocholt has been active in local politics in her home town since 2011. The trained educator moved up to the NRW state parliament at the beginning of November 2021 via the SPD state list for a retired SPD parliamentarian.

Tim Schülingkamp, together with Theresa Schuurmann, has been at the helm of the Bocholt SPD municipal association since the end of November 2021.





*SPD-Bundestagsabgeordnete Nadine Heselhaus (Mitte) bei ihrem Besuch in Bocholt. Mit dabei: Bürgermeister thomas Kerkhoff (2.v.l.), Kämmerin Jennifer Schlaghecken (l.), Tim Schülingkamp vom SPD-Stadtverband und SPD-Landtagsabgeordnete Nina Andrieshen.  
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