



Council

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Subject: Appointment of Committees

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Purpose / Summary:

This report sets out the wishes expressed by political groups in respect of appointment of Members to serve on the Committees of the Council.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

- (1) That the rules relating to proportionality be suspended in relation to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee;**
- (2) In accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the wishes expressed by political groups, Members be appointed to serve to the Council's Committees for the remainder of the civic year; and**
- (3) The current committee Chairmen, and Vice-Chairmen be re-affirmed.**

IMPLICATIONS

Legal:

In accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the wishes expressed by political groups

Financial : FIN/5/22/TJB

Special responsibility allowances for the proposed Chairs and Vice Chairs are met from the Members Allowance budget.

Staffing :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

Data Protection Implications :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:

None directly arising as a result of this report.

Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations:

None directly arising as a result of this report.

Health Implications:

None directly arising as a result of this report.

Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report :

Notices received from the Group Leaders on the allocation of Committee/ Sub-Committee places – documents available from the Guildhall, Gainsborough (on request).

Risk Assessment : N/A

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Call in and Urgency:

Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)

Yes

No

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Key Decision:

A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications

Yes

No

x

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In accordance with the provision of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, it is the duty of the Council to make appointments to Committees in accordance with the wishes expressed by political groups following the determination under section 15 (the allocation of seats to political groups).
- 1.2 Section 2 details the wishes expressed by the political groups.

2. Appointment of Committees

2.1 Chief Officer Employment Committee (10 Members)

Councillor Owen Bierley (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Jackie Brockway – Chairman
Councillor Mick Devine
Councillor Cherie Hill
Councillor Angela Lawrence
Councillor Diana Rodgers
Councillor Lesley Rollings
Councillor Anne Welburn
Councillor Angela White
Councillor Trevor Young

2.2 Corporate Policy and Resources Committee (14 Members)

Councillor Owen Bierley
Councillor Matthew Boles
Councillor Stephen Bunney
Councillor David Cotton
Councillor Mick Devine
Councillor Ian Fleetwood
Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan
Councillor Giles McNeill
Councillor John McNeill
Councillor Mandy Snee
Councillor Jeff Summers – Vice-Chairman
Councillor Robert Waller
Councillor Anne Welburn –Chairman
Councillor Trevor Young

2.3 Governance and Audit Committee (7 Members)

Councillor Jackie Brockway – Vice Chairman
Councillor Stephen Bunney
Councillor Tracey Coulson
Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Caralyne Grimble

Councillor John McNeill – Chairman
Councillor Angela White

2.4 Licensing Committee (11 Members)

Councillor David Cotton
Councillor Liz Clews
Councillor Tim Davies
Councillor Caralyne Grimble
Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan
Councillor Angela Lawrence – Vice Chairman
Councillor Cordelia McCartney
Councillor Jessie Milne – Chairman
Councillor Judy Rainsforth
Councillor Jim Snee
Councillor Jeff Summers

2.5 Regulatory Committee (11 Members)

Councillor David Cotton
Councillor Liz Clews
Councillor Tim Davies
Councillor Caralyne Grimble
Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan
Councillor Angela Lawrence – Vice Chairman
Councillor Cordelia McCartney
Councillor Jessie Milne – Chairman
Councillor Judy Rainsforth
Councillor Jim Snee
Councillor Jeff Summers

2.6 Planning Committee (14 Members)

Councillor Owen Bierley
Councillor Matthew Boles
Councillor David Cotton
Councillor Mick Devine
Councillor Jane Ellis
Councillor Ian Fleetwood – Chairman
Councillor Cherie Hill
Councillor Cordelia McCartney
Councillor Jessie Milne
Councillor Keith Panter
Councillor Roger Patterson
Councillor Judy Rainsforth
Councillor Robert Waller – Vice Chairman
Councillor Angela White

2.7 Prosperous Communities Committee (14 Members)

Councillor Owen Bierley – Chairman
Councillor Stephen Bunney
Councillor Tracey Coulson – Vice-Chairman
Councillor Chris Darcel
Councillor Mick Devine
Councillor Steve England
Councillor John McNeill – Vice Chairman
Councillor Jessie Milne
Councillor Judy Rainsforth
Councillor Tom Regis
Councillor Jim Snee
Councillor Mandy Snee
Councillor Anne Welburn
Councillor Trevor Young

3. Suspension of Political Balance

The Council can, by way of a separate vote, agree to not apply the provisions of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 to a Committee or Committees. Requests have been received that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be not politically balanced.

The proposed unbalanced Committee Membership is set out below.

3.1 Overview and Scrutiny Committee (12 members)

Councillor Liz Clews
Councillor Tim Davies
Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Jane Ellis
Councillor Caralyne Grimble
Councillor Cherie Hill
Councillor Angela Lawrence
Councillor Keith Panter
Councillor Roger Patterson
Councillor Diana Rodgers – Vice Chairman
Councillor Lesley Rollings – Chairman
Councillor Angela White – Vice Chairman

Should this proposal not be unanimously supported the Committee will have to be balanced. The Chairmanships for this committee will also be amended in the event a balanced committee is agreed

The proposed balanced Committee membership is as set out below: -

3.2 **Overview and Scrutiny Committee (14 members)**

Councillor Jackie Brockway
Councillor Liz Clews
Councillor Tim Davies
Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Jane Ellis
Councillor Caralyne Grimble
Councillor Cherie Hill
Councillor Angela Lawrence
Councillor Cordelia McCartney
Councillor Keith Panter
Councillor Roger Patterson
Councillor Diana Rodgers
Councillor Lesley Rollings
Councillor Angela White

4. **Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmanships**

- 4.1 Whilst the Council has had the need to re-appoint the Committees in accordance with its duty to make appointments to Committees in accordance with the wishes expressed by political groups following the determination under section 15 (the allocation of seats to political groups), all Group Leaders have indicated they have no wish to amend the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmanship appointments previously made.
- 4.2 This report therefore merely seeks the re-affirmation of these positions (subject to 3.1 above)