

Council

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Subject: Appointment of Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for the remainder of the 2024/25 Civic Year

Report by:	Monitoring Officer
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Purpose / Summary:	Having re-appointed the Committees under Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, this report seeks to re-appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to each of the Committees for the remainder of the 2024/2025 Civic Year.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

- (1) That Council appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen, as detailed in Table 1 of the report, for the remainder of 2024/25 Civic Year to the following Committees: -
 - (a) Chief Officer Employment Committee
 - (b) Corporate Policy and Resources Committee
 - (c) Planning Committee
 - (d) Governance and Audit Committee
 - (e) Licensing Committee
 - (f) Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - (g) Regulatory Committee
 - (h) Prosperous Communities Committee

IMPLICATIONS

Legal:

It is the responsibility of Full Council to agree Chairmanships, Vice-Chairmanships annually or following the need to recalculate political balance, resulting in the Committees being re-appointed to, as is the case for this report.

Financial :

Special responsibility allowances are payable to Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen at a rate agreed by the Independent Remuneration Panel. These costs are met from the Members' Allowance budget which is set following any recommendation from the Panel and subsequent approval by Full Council.

The Vice Chairman for both Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Governance and Audit Committee share the allowance.

The number of Vice-Chairmanships on the Policy and Resources Committee was increased at the AGM in May this has had no impact on the budget at this stage as the allowance will be shared.

This matter will be considered further by the Independent Remuneration Panel in due course and appropriate recommendations made to Council in January 2025 if deemed necessary.

All payable Special Responsibility Allowances in this report can be met from existing budgets.

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

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	
Key Decision:			
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications	Yes	No	

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Following the Constitutional changes agreed in March 2019, Council are now the responsible body for the appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to each Committee.
- 1.2 Given the Committees have been re-appointed to under regulation 16 as a result of the political balance being recalculated. It is necessary to appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to serve on each.
- 1.3 Table 1 below sets out the nominations received from the Administration in advance of the meeting for each available position. Counter nominations may be made in the meeting.

Table 1

Committee	Chairman	Vice Chairman/men
Chief Officer		
Employment		
Committee		
Corporate Policy		X2
and Resources		
Committee		
Planning		
Committee		
Governance and		X2
Audit Committee		
*Licensing		
Committee		
Overview and		X2
Scrutiny		
Committee		
*Regulatory		
Committee		
Prosperous		X2
Communities		
Committee		