



City of Westminster

Joint Report to Committees

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Report of: Chief Executive

Wards Involved: Not applicable

Policy Context: Management of the Council

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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report is submitted to review the proportional division of seats on their respective Sub-Committees. Details of these are set out in the specific recommendations addressed to each of the Committees referred to below.
- 1.2 The procedures for this meeting are set out in Standing Order 9.2 (4), which allows for all the recommendations before the Committees to be taken together and for the meeting to be conducted by the Chief Executive.

2. Recommendations

Adult's and Public Health Policy and Scrutiny Committee

1. That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committee listed below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Cons	Labour
Health Urgency	3	2	1

Audit and Performance Committee

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committees listed below:

Sub-Committees	Members	Proportionality	
		Cons	Labour
Audit and Performance Urgency	3	2	1
Appointments	4	3	1
Staff Appeals	3	2	1

General Purposes Committee

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committees listed below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Cons	Labour
General Purposes Urgency	3	2	1
Education (Awards) Appeals	4	3	1

Pension Fund Committee

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committee listed below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Cons	Labour
Pension Fund Urgency	3	2	1

Planning and City Development Committee

That the Committee confirm the appointment of the Planning Applications Sub-Committees and the proportional division of seats on them as listed below.

Sub-Committees	Members	Proportionality	
		Cons	Labour
Planning (Major Applications)	6	4	2
Planning Applications No 1	4	3	1
Planning Applications No 2	4	3	1
Planning Applications No 3	4	3	1

Licensing Committee

That the Committee confirm the appointment of the Licensing Sub-Committees Nos 1 to 5 and the Licensing Sub-Committee No 6:

Sub-Committees	Members	Proportionality	
		Con	Labour
Licensing Sub-Committees (x5)	3	2	1
(NB: In exceptional circumstances the Chief Executive may appoint a Membership which is contrary to this proportionality)			
Licensing Sub-Committee No 6	3	2	1
Urgency Sub-Committee	3	2	1

3. Background Information

- 3.1 Standing Orders permit the Leader of the Council to nominate the Chairmen of Committees, and the Committee then determines whether or not to appoint the members nominated.
- 3.2 Under statutory regulations, Committees are required to review at least annually the proportional division of seats on their Sub-Committees. This applies to all Sub-Committees including those of the regulatory Committees and to the formal Sub-Committees of Policy and Scrutiny Committees. Memberships are set out as Appendix A to the report (agenda item 8) on the Council agenda.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The proportional allocation of Sub-Committee places set out in this report conforms to the Proportionality Rules more fully referred to in the report, Item 8, to the Annual Council meeting.

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect any of the background papers please contact Reuben Segal on 07890380137; Email: rsegal@westminster.gov.uk

Background Papers

- Constitution