

# **Joint Report to Committees**

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Title: Constitutional Issues

Report of: Chief Executive and Director of Law (Monitoring

Officer)

Wards Involved: Not applicable

Policy Context: Management of the Council

Financial Summary: None

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# 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report is submitted to review the proportional division of seats on their respective Sub-Committees, in each case to note the Sub-committee's membership and to allow the relevant Committees to appoint a Chair, where necessary. 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 the all the recommendations before the Committees to be taken together and for the meeting to be conducted by the Chief Executive

#### 2. Recommendations

# **Audit and Performance Committee**

That the Committee appoint a Chairman. The Leader of the Council has nominated Councillor Aziz Toki.

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

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

# **General Purposes Committee**

That the Committee appoint a Chairman. The Leader of the Council has nominated Councillor David Boothroyd.

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

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

# <u>Children & Adults, Public Health & Voluntary Sector Policy and Scrutiny Committee</u>

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

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

That the Committee note that the formal appointment of a Chairman will be made at the next meeting.

# <u>Communities, City Management & Air Quality Policy and Scrutiny Committee</u>

That the Committee note that the formal appointment of a Chairman will be made at the next meeting.

# <u>Finance, Planning & Economic Development Policy and Scrutiny</u> Committee

That the Committee note that the formal appointment of a Chairman will be made at the next meeting.

#### Climate Action, Housing and Regeneration Policy and Scrutiny Committee

That the Committee note that the formal appointment of a Chairman will be made at the next meeting.

# Planning and City Development Committee

That the Committee appoint a Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The Leader of the Council has nominated Councillor Ruth Bush as Chairman and Councillor Jason Williams as Vice-Chairman.

That the Committee confirm the appointment of the Planning Applications Sub-Committees and the proportional division of seats set out below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Labour	Conservative
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

#### **Pension Fund Committee**

That the Committee appoint a Chairman. The Leader of the Council has nominated Councillor Patricia McAllister.

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats set out below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Labour	Conservative
Urgency	3	2	1

# **Standards Committee**

That the Committee appoint a Chairman. The Leader of the Council has nominated Councillor Patricia McAllister.

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats set out below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Labour	Conservative
Urgency	3	2	1

# **Licensing Committee**

That the Committee appoint a Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The Leader of the Council has nominated Councillor Aziz Toki as Chairman and Councillor Maggie Carman as Vice-Chairman.

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

Sub-Committee	Members	Members Proportionality	
		Labour	Conservative
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. Where a recommendation has not been included the Chairs will be appointed at the next meeting of the appropriate body.
- 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 B to the report (agenda item 9) 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 9, to the Annual Council meeting.

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect any of the background papers please contact Tristan Fieldsend Email: tfieldsend@westminster.gov.uk