Council

Annual Council Business Report

19 May 2010

Report of Chief Executive

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To note the results of the 6 May 2010 district election, the constitution of Political Groups and the Leader of the Council and Executive for the Municipal Year 2010/11. To gain agreement to the suggested constitution of Committees for the Municipal year 2010/2011 and to advise Council of member attendances for the Municipal Year 2009/10

This report is public

Recommendations

There are 8 recommendations, which are included in the relevant section of the report:

a) District Election Results

The following were elected for the Wards shown at the district elections held on 6 May 2010:

The Astons and Heyfords – Councillor James Macnamara

Banbury Calthorpe - Councillor Colin Clarke

Banbury Easington - Councillor Kieron Mallon

Banbury Grimsbury and Castle - Councillor Margaret Cullip

Banbury Hardwick - Councillor Tony llott

Banbury Neithrop - Councillor Alyas Ahmed

Banbury Ruscote - Councillor George Parish

Bicester West - Councillor Norman Bolster

Bloxham and Bodicote – Councillor Chris Heath

Deddington - Councillor Paul O'Sullivan

Fringford - Councillor Barry Wood

Kidlington North – Councillor Douglas Williamson

Kidlington South – Councillor Tim Emptage

Kirtlington - Councillor Simon Holland

Otmoor – Councillor Timothy Hallchurch

Sibford - Councillor George Reynolds

Wroxton - Councillor Douglas Webb

Recommendation

(1) To note the results of the District Elections held on 6 May 2010.

b) Constitution of Political Groups

The Chief Executive will report on the notifications of the constitution of Political Groups received prior to the meeting and on the notifications from the Political Groups of the names of their Leaders for 2010/11.

Recommendation

(2) That the constitution of Political Groups and notification of Group Leaders be noted.

c) Leader of the Council and Executive 2010/11

The Chief Executive will report on:

- Any change in the political control of the Council.
- Any change to the leadership of the controlling Political Group.

See Appendix 1 for the report of the Leader of the Council on Executive Portfolios for the Municipal Year 2010/11.

Recommendation

(3) That the appointment of Deputy Leader of the Council, the membership of the Executive and the Executive Portfolios for 2010/11 be noted.

d) Committee Appointments 2010/11

Table 1: Allocation of Seats of Proportional Committees

The Leader of the Conservative Group has indicated to the Chief Executive that the seats to be nominated to the Labour Group are the same as 2009/10 ~ one each on the Overview and Scrutiny and Licensing Committees.

The figures below marked by an asterisk take account of this adjustment.

	TOTAL	CON	LAB	LD
Overview & Scrutiny Committee	12	10*	1*	1
Resources and Performance Board	12	11	0	1
Planning Committee	18	16	1	1
Personnel Committee	12	11	0	1
Licensing Committee	12	10*	1*	1
Appeals Panel	10	9	0	1
Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee	8	7	0	1
Proportional Total by Committee	84	76	1	7
Aggregate Entitlement	84	74	3	7
Adjustment Required		- 2	+ 2	0

Table 2: Allocation of Seats of Non-Proportional Committees

	TOTAL	CON	LAB	LD
Standards Committee	8	6	1	1
Council and Employee Joint Committee	12	11	0	1

Notes:

Overview and scrutiny Committee and Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board, must not include any members of the Executive.

Personnel Committee must include at least one member of the Executive and may not include members of the Appeals Panel

Appeals Panel members may not serve as members or substitute members of the Personnel Committee.

Standards Committee must not include more than one member of the Executive, and must not include the Leader of the Council.

Council Employee Joint Committee has a fixed membership, comprising the number indicated in the total column.

Recommendations

- (4) That the allocation of seats on committees that are subject to the political balance requirements be agreed as set out in Table 1.
- (5) That the allocation of seats on committees not subject to political balance requirements be agreed as set out in Table 2.
- (6) To appoint members (and where appropriate, substitute members) to serve on each of the committees and other bodies set out in Table 3 in accordance with the nominations to be made by political groups (to follow).

e) Appointment of Representative

Council is asked to appoint a representative to the County Council Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The 2009/10 representative was Councillor Mrs Rose Stratford.

Recommendation

(7) To appoint a representative to the County Council Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

f) Council Meeting Attendance Municipal Year 2009/10

The attendance of Councillors at committee meetings in the municipal year 2009/10 is set out at Appendix 2 to this report.

Recommendation

(8) That the committee meeting attendance for 2009/10 as set out at Appendix 2 be noted.

Key Issues for Consideration/Reasons for Decision and Options

The following options have been identified. The approach in the recommendations is believed to be the best way forward

Option One To agree the recommendations

Option TwoTo amend and agree the recommendations

Consultations

Political Groups The responses of political groups will be tabled at the

meeting.

Implications

Financial: There are no financial implications arising form the report.

Comments checked by Karen Curtin, Head of Finance

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Legal: It is a legal requirement for Council to agree

proportionality and appoint committees.

Comments checked by Liz Howlett, Head of Legal and

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Risk Management: In ensuring the legal requirements are met risk to the

authority is mitigated.

Comments checked by Rosemary Watts, Risk and

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Wards Affected

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Document Information

Appendix No	Title		
Appendix 1	Executive Portfolios 2010/11		
Appendix 2	Committee Attendance 2009/10		
Background Papers			
None			
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