

Council

Proportionality and Committee Appointments Report

18 October 2010

Report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To gain agreement to the amended constitution of Committees for Municipal Year 2010/11 and to advise Council of political group nominations following the results of the Kidlington North By-election.

This report is public

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- (1) That the allocation of the seats on the Committees that are subject to the political balance requirements be agreed as set out in Table 1 below following the results of the Kidlington North by-election.
- (2) To appoint Members (and, where appropriate, substitute members) to serve on each of the Committees set out in Table 2 of the report in accordance with the nominations made by the Political Groups.

Executive Summary

Proportionality Calculations Following Kidlington North By-election

Table 1: Allocation of Seats of Proportional Committees

Committees	Con	Lab	LD	TOTAL
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	10*	1*	1	12
Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board	11	0	1	12

Planning Committee	16	1	1	18
Licensing Committee	10*	1*	1	12
Personnel Committee	11	0	1	12
Appeals Panel	9	0	1	10
Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee	10	0	1	11
Proportional Total by Committee	79	1	7	87
Aggregate Entitlement	77	3	7	87
Adjustment Required	- 2	+ 2	0	

The Leader of the Conservative Group has informed the Chief Executive that the seats to be offered to the Labour Group are on the Overview and Scrutiny and Licensing Committees.

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

Changes to Committee Membership

Based on the calculation of proportionality as set out above political groups have made the following alterations and allocations. Additionally Councillor Hughes has been nominated to fill the Conservative vacancy on the Appeals Panel

Table 2: Nominations from Political Groups

		Appeals Panel	Personnel Committee	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Licensing Committee
Remove	Members	Cllr Sibley	Cllr Parish	Conservative Vacancy	Conservative Vacancy
	Substitutes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Add	Members	Cllr Cotter	Cllr Williamson	Cllr Sibley	Cllr Parish
	Substitutes	N/A	N/A	Cllr Parish	Cllr Sibley

Consultations

Leader of the Conservative Group Decision included in report

Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group Nominations included in report

Leader of the Labour Democrat Group Nominations included in report

Implications

Financial: There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Comments checked by Karen Muir, Corporate Systems Accountant 01295 221559

Legal: It is a legal requirement for Council to agree proportionality and appoint committees.

Comments checked by James Doble, Democratic, Scrutiny and Elections Manager 01295 221587

Risk Management: In ensuring the legal requirements are met risk to the authority is mitigated.

Comments checked by Rosemary Watts, Risk and Insurance Manager 01295 221566

Wards Affected

All

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
N/A	N/A
Background Papers	
None	
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