

Council

Annual Council Business Report

18 May 2011

Report of Interim Chief Executive

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To note the results of the 5 May 2011 district election, the constitution of Political Groups and the Leader of the Council and Executive for the Municipal Year 2011/12. To gain agreement to the suggested constitution of Committees for the Municipal year 2011/2012 and to advise Council of member attendances for the Municipal Year 2010/11.

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 5 May 2011:

Ambrosden and Chesterton – Councillor Andrew Fulljames
Astons and Heyfords – Councillor Mike Kerford-Byrnes
Banbury Easington – Councillor Nigel Morris
Banbury Grimsbury and Castle – Andrew Beere
Banbury Hardwick - Councillor Nicholas Turner
Banbury Ruscote – Councillor Pat Cartledge
Bicester East – Councilor Rose Stratford
Bicester North – Councillor Carol Steward
Bicester South – Councillor Lynn Pratt
Bicester Town – Councillor Diana Edwards
Bicester West – Councillor Les Sibley
Cropredy – Councillor Ken Atack
Hook Norton – Councillor Victoria Irvine
Kidlington North – Councillor Alaric Rose
Kidlington South – Councillor Neil Prestidge
Yarnton, Gosford and Water Eaton – Councillor Michael Gibbard

Recommendation

- (1) To note the results of the District Elections held on 5 May 2011.

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 2011/12.

Recommendation

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

c) Leader of the Council and Executive 2011/12

The Chief Executive will report on:

- Any change in the political control of the Council.

See Appendix 1 for the report of the Leader of the Council on Executive Portfolios for the Municipal Year 2011/12.

Recommendation

- (3) That the appointment of Deputy Leader of the Council, the membership of the Executive and the Executive Portfolios for 2011/12 be noted.

d) Committee Appointments 2010/11

Table 1: Allocation of Seats of Proportional Committees

The Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group has indicated to the Interim Chief Executive that the seat to be nominated to the Conservative Group is on the Appeals Panel

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	10	1	1
Planning Committee	18	16	1	1
Personnel Committee	12	10	1	1
Licensing Committee	12	10	1	1
Appeals Panel	10	9*	1	0*
Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee	8	7	1	0
Joint Personnel Committee	5	1	1	0
Joint Appeals Committee	3	2	1	0
Proportional Total by Committee	92	74	9	6
Aggregate Entitlement	92	75	9	5
Adjustment Required		+1	0	-1

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	10	1	1
Joint Arrangements Steering Group	5	4	1	0

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.

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

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

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 Tables 1 and 2 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 2010/11 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 2010/11

The attendance of Councillors at committee meetings in the municipal year 2010/11 is set out at Appendix 2 to this report.

Recommendation

- (8) That the committee meeting attendance for 2010/11 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 Two** To 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 from 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 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 Claire Taylor, Corporate Strategy

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Wards Affected

All

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Appendix 1	Executive Portfolios 2011/12
Appendix 2	Committee Attendance 2010/11
Background Papers	
None	
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