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Cherwell District Council

Annual Council

Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held at 39 Castle Quay, Banbury,
OX16 5FD, on 20 May 2026 at 6.30 pm

Present:

Councillor Nigel Simpson (Chair)
Councillor Simon Lytton (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Fiaz Ahmed
Councillor Tom Beckett
Councillor Rebecca Biegel
Councillor Gordon Blakeway
Councillor Nicola Borkmann
Councillor Chris Aramini-Brant
Councillor Besmira Brasha
Councillor John Brown
Councillor Mark Cherry
Councillor Becky Clarke MBE
Councillor Jean Conway
Councillor Grace Conway-Murray
Councillor Nick Cotter
Councillor Dr Isabel Creed
Councillor Dr Henry Elugwu
Councillor Dr Faltermeyer
Councillor Mark Gorman
Councillor Yvonne Greene
Councillor Ian Harwood
Councillor David Hingley
Councillor Frank Ideh
Councillor Paul Jeffreys
Councillor Kieron Mallon
Councillor Fiona Mawson
Councillor Lesley McLean
Councillor Ian Middleton
Councillor Julian Nedelcu
Councillor Julius Parker
Councillor Robert Parkinson
Councillor Rob Pattenden
Councillor G.A. Popescu
Councillor Chris Pruden
Councillor Edward Fraser Reeves
Councillor David Rogers
Councillor Alisa Russell
Councillor Les Sibley
Councillor Lisa Smith
Councillor Dr Kerrie Thornhill
Councillor Dom Vaitkus
Councillor Dorothy Walker

Councillor Linda Ward
Councillor John Willett
Councillor Douglas Webb
Councillor Bryonie Wells
Councillor Michael Wilson

Apologies for absence:

Councillor Zoe McLernon

Officers:

Gordon Stewart, Chief Executive
Stephen Hinds, Executive Director Resources
Kristian Aspinall, Executive Director Neighbourhood Services
Michael Furness, Assistant Director Finance & S151 Officer
Shiraz Sheikh, Assistant Director Law & Governance and Monitoring Officer
Kaimi Ithia, Head of Chief Executive's Office
Natasha Clark, Governance and Elections Manager
Denzil Turbervill, Head of Legal Services
Patrick Davis, Democratic and Elections Officer
Emma Faulkner, Principal Officer - Scrutiny and Democratic Lead

Officers Attending Virtually:

Ian Boll, Executive Director Place & Regeneration

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Welcome

The Chair welcomed councillors, past Chairmen, former councillors, guests and officers to the Annual Council meeting.

The Chair welcomed and congratulated Councillor John Brown, Councillor Yvonne Greene, Councillor Paul Jeffreys, Councillor Mark Gorman, Councillor Bryonie Wells, Councillor Julius Parker, Councillor Michael Wilson, Councillor George Popescu, Councillor Nicola Borkmann, Councillor Lisa Smith and Councillor Dr Timothy Faltermeyer, who had been newly elected to Cherwell District Council at the local elections held on 7 May 2026. The newly elected councillors each introduced themselves to Council.

The Chair extended congratulations to Councillor David Hingley, Councillor Ian Harwood, Councillor Rebecca Biegel, Councillor Chris Pruden, Councillor Eddie Reeves, Councillor Jean Conway and Councillor Fiona Mawson who had been re-elected at the local elections on 7 May 2026.

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Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 **Communications**

Former Councillors

On behalf of Council, the Chair paid tribute to former Councillors Lynne Parsons and Harry Knight who stood down from the Council in March and Councillors Dr Chukwudi Okeke, Andrew Crichton, Amanda Watkins, Donna Ford, Nick Mawer, John Broad, Phil Chapman, Barry Wood and Gemma Coton who stood down or were not returned to the Council at the May elections, and thanked them for their service to the council, their wards and the district.

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By convention, the minutes of Committees, questions, petitions and motions were not considered at Annual Council. These would be included on the agenda of the next scheduled Council meeting on Monday 20 July.

Chair's Engagements

A copy of the events the Chair or Vice-Chair had attended was published with the agenda. The Chair thanked the Vice-Chair for standing in at events over the past month.

Parish Liaison Meeting – 10 June

The Chair referred to the recent email invitation to the Parish Liaison meeting. Alongside all parishes, district councillors were invited to attend what was always an informative evening. Attendance should be confirmed via reply to the email invitation.

Members' Pigeon Holes

Members were reminded to check their pigeon hole and take any post.

4 **Election of Chair for the Municipal Year 2026/2027**

It was proposed by Councillor Reeves and seconded by Councillor Walker, that Councillor Simpson be appointed Chair of Cherwell District Council for the municipal year 2026/2027. There were no other nominations.

Resolved

- (1) That Councillor Nigel Simpson be appointed Chair of Cherwell District Council for the Municipal Year 2026/2027.

(Councillor Walker, outgoing Chair, chaired the meeting until Councillor Simpson was appointed)

5 **Investiture of Chair**

Councillor Simpson having made and signed the required Declaration of Acceptance of Office was invested with the Chair's Chain and took the Chair.

Councillor Simpson addressed Council thanking Members for placing their trust in him and appointing him as Chair. He felt deeply honoured and profoundly humbled. This was not just a position, it was a responsibility, a commitment and a promise to serve with integrity, transparency and dedication. The Chair explained his vision was to ensure every decision taken reflected the needs, hopes and aspirations of the people of Cherwell, listen to every voice in our community and work collaboratively across political lines.

The Chair paid tribute to his wife, Jo, who had agreed to be the Chair's consort for his term of office.

The Chair announced that the charities he would be supporting during his term of office were Kidlinks, Katiefest and The Joey Beauchamp Foundation.

Over the coming twelve months, a number of events would be organised to raise funds and promote the district with further details being provided in due course. One challenge the Chair was intending to undertake, was to walk the entire length of the Oxford canal in the Cherwell district in one go, and offered an open invitation for anyone to join him for the whole journey or a short stretch.

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Vote of Thanks to Immediate Past Chair

The Chair paid tribute to Councillor Walker for her term of office as Chair, her leadership, wisdom and tireless work had left a strong foundation to build upon. The Chair thanked Councillor Walker for her service, friendship and unwavering commitment to this council.

Councillor McLean, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group, paid tribute to Councillor Walker for her term of office which she'd fulfilled with warmth, dignity and real integrity. The role of Chair was to be the politically impartial civic head of the council, an ambassador for Cherwell and a guardian of the tone of our proceedings and Councillor Walker had fulfilled that role with grace throughout her year in office.

From the moment Councillor Walker took office in May 2025 and chose to support Homeless Oxfordshire and Asylum Welcome, she set a clear tone of compassion and public service.

Over the course of the year, Councillor Walker had represented the Council at numerous events across, and beyond, the district, always with thoughtfulness and care. That commitment was turned into practical action through the Chair's charity lunch, support for her charities, including participation in the Oxford CEO Sleep Out. Councillor Walker had helped ensure that her year as Chair was not only ceremonial, but also deeply connected to some of the most vulnerable people in our communities.

In the chamber, Councillor Walker had chaired Council meetings with patience

courtesy and calm authority, including through some long and demanding business.

The Chair presented Councillor Walker with her past Chair's badge and a gift as a token of appreciation for her term of office.

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Immediate Past Chair's Address

Councillor Walker addressed Council to reflect on what an extraordinary privilege it has been to hold the role of Chair.

One of the honours of serving as Chair had been the opportunity to see firsthand the remarkable range and depth of community and charity work taking place right across our district. This year had shown the extent of the generosity, energy and commitment of the people who make our communities stronger. Councillor Walker reported on having had the chance to see the dedication of our council teams commenting that so much important work happened quietly behind the scenes, often without recognition, but it made a real difference to people's lives every single day. Councillor Walker expressed her sincere thanks to all of those officers and staff who work so hard for our residents and communities.

A particularly meaningful part of this year had been working with her three chosen charities, the Oxfordshire Homeless Movement, Homelessness Oxfordshire, and Asylum Welcome, and gaining an insight into the amazing work they do in supporting some of the most vulnerable people in our district. Their compassion, professionalism, and determination was truly inspiring.

Together with Councillors Lesley McLean and Chris Brant, Councillor Walker had participated in the Oxfordshire Homelessness Movement sponsored sleepout in University Parks and was proud to report that they had raised just under £2000. Councillor Walker thanked all who had contributed.

Councillor Walker referred to the many fundraising events, community gatherings and civic occasions she had attended during the year, it had been genuinely humbling to visit the level of commitment, goodwill and sheer hard work that goes on across our district. Councillor Walker referred to the privilege she felt taking part in events that honoured our shared history, traditions and ancient institutions, highlighting and commending the people who gave their time, their effort, and their compassion to others. These organisations and groups are incredibly important for our society, creating communities that are kinder, stronger and more connected and she was very proud and honoured to have been able to witness and participate in them during her time as Chair.

Councillor Walker thanked her fellow councillors, council officers, volunteers, charities, community groups and residents for the support, kindness and friendship shown to me throughout the year. Special thanks were extended to Shiraz Sheikh (Monitoring Officer), Tash Clark (Governance and Elections Manager) for their advice and guidance in meetings and in the wider context;

to Alex Robinson (Executive Support Team Manager), for all her help, particularly at her charity; and to the Chair's Personal Assistant, Nicola Ikinisoy, who had been incredibly supportive and competent throughout her term and presented her with flowers as a token of her appreciation.

Councillor Walker expressed gratitude to Councillor Simpson for ably supporting her as Vice Chair and for stepping in over the last month and wished him all the very best for his year in office.

Councillor Walker invited Jane Cranston, the Chair of Trustees of the Oxfordshire Homelessness Movement, Dr. Harry Reid of Asylum Welcome to say a few words about their respective charities.

8 Election of Vice-Chair for the Municipal Year 2026/2027

It was proposed by Councillor McLean and seconded by Councillor Rogers, that Councillor Lytton be appointed Vice-Chair of Cherwell District Council for the municipal year 2026/2027. There were no other nominations.

Resolved

- (1) That Councillor Simon Lytton be appointed Vice-Chair of Cherwell District Council for the Municipal Year 2026/2027.

9 Investiture of Vice-Chair

Councillor Lytton, having made and signed the required Declaration of Acceptance of Office was invested with the Vice-Chair's Chain.

Councillor Lytton addressed Council and thanked Members for his appointment.

10 Minutes of Council

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2026 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

11 Annual Council Business Report 2026/2027

The Monitoring Officer submitted a report for Council to note the results of the district elections held on 7 May 2026, to appoint the Leader of the Council and to consider the appointments and allocation of seats on Committees for municipal year 2026/2027 in accordance with the duty under Section 15 Local Government Housing Act 1989, to ensure that this reflects the political make-up of the Council following the elections. The political representation of members on committees needed to be considered on an annual basis.

The Chair referred to recommendation 1.3, which related to the Leader of the Councillor. The Chair advised that Councillor Hingley had notified the Proper Officer that he wished to resign as Leader of the Council and invited Councillor Hingley to address Council.

Councillor Hingley addressed Council and tendered his resignation as Leader of the Council. Councillor Hingley said it had been an honour to be Leader of the Council for two years, serving as the first ever Liberal Democrat Leader of the Council. Having personally made the decision to step down, he was confident that the council would continue to go from strength to strength. Councillor Hingley thanked Liberal Democrat group members, members of the Green Party for joining with the Liberal Democrat in the administration, all members of the Executive and all Group Leaders during his tenure as Leader and paid tribute to all councillors for their constructive engagement, dedication and commitment to their wards. Councillor Hingley also thanked and paid tribute to all council officers and staff and gave particular thanks to the Leader's PA, Donna Dow, for her brilliant support.

On behalf of Council, the Chair thanked Councillor Hingley for his diligent service as Leader over the past two years.

Councillor McLean, Councillor Middleton, Councillor Reeves and Councillor Biegel paid tribute to Councillor Hingley and thanked him for his service as Leader.

Councillor Hingley having resigned, it was necessary for Council to appoint a leader. It was proposed by Councillor Hingley and seconded by Councillor Brant that Councillor McLean be appointed Leader of Cherwell District Council.

There being no further nominations, Councillor McLean was duly appointed Leader of the Council.

The Chair invited the Leader to report on her Deputy Leader, Executive members and Portfolio Holder allocations for 2026/2027. The Leader advised Councillor Chris Brant was her Deputy leader and Portfolio Holders as follows:

- Councillor Lesley McLean: Leader – Strategic Leadership and Regeneration
- Councillor Chris Brant: Deputy Leader – Planning and Enforcement
- Councillor Nicola Borkmann: Portfolio Holder for Customer and Community Services
- Councillor David Hingley: Portfolio Holder for Finance
- Councillor Frank Ideh: Portfolio Holder for Law and Governance
- Councillor Ian Middleton: Portfolio Holder for Housing and Greener Communities
- Councillor Rob Pattenden: Portfolio Holder for Property and Assets
- Councillor Alisa Russell: Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhood Services
- Councillor Lisa Smith: Portfolio Holder for Leisure

The Chair led Council through the remaining recommendations and invited the Leader to advise of nominations to outside bodies as set out in the resolutions.

Resolved

- (1) That the results of the District elections held on 7 May 2026 be noted:

Ward	Elected	Party	Term of office
Adderbury, Bloxham and Bodicote	David Hingley	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Banbury Calthorpe and Easington	Ian Harwood	Conservative	Four years
Banbury Calthorpe and Easington	John Jefferson Brown	Reform UK	One year
Banbury Cross and Neithrop	Yvonne Green	Reform UK	Four years
Banbury Grimsbury and Hightown	Rebecca Biegel	Labour and Co-operative	Four years
Banbury Hardwick	Paul Jeffreys	Reform UK	Four years
Banbury Ruscote	Mark Gorman	Reform UK	Four years
Bicester East	Bryonie Wells	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Bicester North and Caversfield	Julius Parker	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Bicester South and Ambrosden	Chris Pruden	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Bicester West	Michael Wilson	Reform UK	Four years
Bicester West	George Popescu	Reform UK	One year
Cropredy, Sibfords and Wroxton	Nicola Borkman	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Deddington	Eddie Fraser Reeves	Conservative	Four years
Fringford and Heyfords	Jean Conway	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Kidlington East	Fiona Mawson	Green	Four years
Kidlington West	Lisa Smith	Liberal Democrat	Four years
Launton and Otmoor	Timothy Faltermeyer	Liberal Democrat	Four years

- (2) That the constitution of Political Groups and notification of Group Leaders which has been notified in accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 be noted:

- Liberal Democrat (20 Members, all Liberal Democrat party members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Lesley McLean
- Conservative (8 Members, all Conservative party members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Edward Fraser Reeves
- Labour (8 Members, all Labour and Labour & Co-operative party members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Rebecca Biegel
- Reform UK (6 Members, all Reform UK party members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Paul Jeffreys
- Green (4 Members, comprising all 4 Green party members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Ian Middleton

(Two Members, Independent, are not aligned to any political group)

- (3) That Councillor Lesley McLean be appointed Leader of the Council.
- (4) That the appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council, the membership of the Executive and Executive portfolios for the municipal year 2026/2027 be noted:

Councillor	Portfolio
Lesley McLean (Leader)	Strategic Leadership and Regeneration
Chris Brant (Deputy Leader)	Planning and Enforcement
Nicola Borkmann	Customer and Community Services
David Hingley	Finance
Frank Ideh	Law and Governance
Ian Middleton	Housing and Greener Communities
Rob Pattenden	Property and Assets
Alisa Russell	Neighbourhood Services
Lisa Smith	Leisure

- (5) That the allocation of seats on committees that are subject to the political balance requirements be agreed (Annex to the Minutes, as set out in the Minute Book).
- (6) That it be agreed that the allocation of seats on the Licensing Acts Committee reflects the General Licensing Committee.
- (7) That members (and where required, substitute members) be appointed to serve on each of the committees in accordance with the nominations made by political groups ((Annex to the Minutes, as set out in the Minute Book).

- (8) That Councillor David Rogers be appointed as Cherwell District Council's representative on the Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the municipal year 2026/2027.
- (9) That Councillor Lisa Smith be appointed as be appointed as Cherwell District Council's representative and Councillor Lesley Mclean be appointed as Cherwell District Council's named substitute on the Health and Wellbeing Board for the municipal year 2026/2027.
- (10) That Councillor Robert Parkinson be appointed as be appointed as Cherwell District Council's representative and Councillor Lesley Mclean be appointed as Cherwell District Council's named substitute on the Police and Crime Commissioner Scrutiny Panel for the municipal year 2026/2027.
- (11) That Councillor Lesley McLean be appointed as be appointed as Cherwell District Council's representative and Councillor Chris Brant be appointed as Cherwell District Council's named substitute on the Oxfordshire Leaders Joint Committee for the municipal year 2026/2027.
- (12) That authority be delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make changes required to the Constitution as a result of the changes referred to in this report.

12 **Annual Report of the Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee 2025/26**

The Assistant Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) submitted a report which presented the annual report of the Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee for the municipal year 2025/2026. It had been prepared to enable the committee to demonstrate to Council how it has fulfilled its terms of reference.

Resolved

- (1) That the Annual Report of the Accounts, Audit & Risk Committee for the municipal year 2025/2026 be noted.

13 **Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2025/2026**

The Assistant Director Law & Governance and Monitoring Officer submitted a report for Council to consider and note the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report for 2025/2026.

Resolved

- (1) That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report for 2025/2026 be noted.

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Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 7.25 pm

Chair:

Date:

Appendix 2 - Proportionality Calculations

1.1 Under the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 made pursuant to the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, allocations of committee seats are made to political groups and any member not in a political group is consequently not automatically entitled to seats on committees. Two Independent members have neither formed a group nor aligned with a political group and are therefore not entitled to seats on committees.

1.2 The committee allocations take account of the Groups notified to the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer as set out below.

- Liberal Democrat (20 Members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Lesley McLean
 - Deputy Group Leader: Councillor Chris Brant
- Labour (8 Members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Rebecca Biegel
 - Deputy Group Leader: Councillor Dr Kerrie Thornhill
- Conservative (8 Members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Eddie Reeves
 - Deputy Group Leader: Councillor David Rogers
- Reform UK (6 Members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Paul Jeffreys
 - Deputy Group Leader: Councillor Michael Wilson
- Green (4 Members)
 - Group Leader: Councillor Ian Middleton
 - Deputy Group Leader: Councillor Tom Beckett

1.3 Allocation of Seats to Proportional Committees (*adjustments shown in italics*)

	Liberal Democrat	Labour	Conservative	Reform UK	Green	Total
% entitlement	44.16%	16.88%	16.88%	12.99%	9.09%	100%
Audit Committee	4	1	1	1	1	8
Appeals Panel	4	2	2	1	1	10
Budget Planning Committee	6 (+1)	2	2	1 (-1)	1	12
General Licensing Committee	5	2	2	2	1	12
Overview & Scrutiny Committee	5	2	2	2	1	12
Personnel Committee	5	2	2	2	1	12
Planning Committee	5	2	2	1	1	11
Proportional Entitlement by Committee	34	13	13	10	7	77
Aggregate Entitlement	34	13	13	10	7	77

Adjustment Required	+1	0	0	-1	0	-1
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1.4 The Constitution sets out that the Planning Committee has 11 named substitutes. These appointments are not included in the main committee proportionality calculations above but the number of substitutes per Group should reflect the proportionality calculations for the full Committee. Groups should therefore appoint the number of named substitutes as set out below:

- Liberal Democrat Group - 5
- Labour Group - 2
- Conservative Group - 2
- Reform UK Group - 1
- Green Group - 1

1.5 Political Groups must have regard to the following when nominating Committee members:

- Overview and Scrutiny Committee 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 of the Personnel Committee

1.6 Allocation of seats to Non-Proportional Committees.

	Liberal Democrat	Labour	Conservative	Reform UK	Green	Total
Licensing Acts Committee	5	2	2	2	1	12

1.7 Due to the crossover of functions, the allocation of seats for the General Licensing Committee has been applied to the Licencing Acts Committee. To facilitate arrangements for the Committees, the same allocation of seats for the Political Groups are asked to nominate the same members to both Committees.

Appendix 3 - Committee Appointments 2026/2027

Proportional Committees

(NB. The number in brackets indicates the number of seats for the Group on the Committee. All Group nominations are listed alphabetically by councillor surname)

Audit and Governance Committee

Membership (8 members with unnamed substitutes who can be any member of the relevant Group. All committee members must have received training prior to attending a meeting)

Liberal Democrat (4)	Labour (1)	Conservative (1)	Reform UK (1)	Green (1)
Cllr Simon Lytton	Cllr Besmira Brasha	Cllr David Rogers	Cllr Mark Gorman	Cllr Ian Middleton
Cllr Julian Nedelcu				
Cllr Robert Parkinson				
Cllr Alisa Russell				

Appeals Panel

Membership (10 members with no substitutes – must NOT be Personnel Committee members)

Liberal Democrat (4)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (1)	Green (1)
Cllr Juliun Nedelcu	Cllr Mark Cherry	Cllr Fiaz Ahmed	Cllr John Brown	Cllr Ian Middleton
Cllr Robert Parkinson	Cllr Henry Elugwu	Cllr Zoe McLernon		
Cllr Rob Pattenden				
Cllr Alisa Russell				

Budget Planning Committee

Membership (12 members with unnamed substitutes who can be any member of the relevant Group)

Liberal Democrat (6)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (1)	Green (1)
Cllr Gordon Blakeway	Cllr Mark Cherry	Cllr Ian Harwood	Cllr Mark Gorman	Cllr Tom Beckett
Cllr David Hingley	Cllr Dom Vaitkus	Cllr Eddie Reeves		
Cllr Frank Ideh				
Cllr Rob Pattenden				
Cllr Chris Pruden				
Cllr Bryonie Wells				

General Licensing Committee

Membership (12 seats, with unnamed substitutes who can be any member of the relevant Group)

Liberal Democrat (5)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (2)	Green (1)
Cllr Gordon Blakeway	Cllr Rebecca Biegel	Cllr Fiaz Ahmed	Cllr George Popescu	Cllr Ian Middleton
Cllr Julius Parker	Cllr Henry Elugwu	Cllr Doug Webb	Cllr Michael Wilson	
Cllr Chris Pruden				
Cllr Lisa Smith				
Cllr John Willett				

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Membership (12 members with unnamed substitutes who can be any member of the relevant Group but shall not be a member of the Executive)

Liberal Democrat (5)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (2)	Green (1)	
Cllr Dr Timothy Faltermeyer	Cllr Dr Kerrie Thornhill	Cllr Kieron Mallon	Cllr John Brown	Cllr Linda Ward	
Cllr Julius Parker	Cllr Dom Vaitkus	Cllr David Rogers	Cllr Michael Wilson		
Cllr Robert Parkinson					
Cllr Dorothy Walker					
Cllr Bryonie Wells					

Personnel Committee

Membership (12 members with unnamed substitutes who can be any member of the relevant Group but shall not be a member of the Appeals Panel)

Liberal Democrat (5)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (2)	Green (1)
Cllr Dr Timothy Faltermeyer	Cllr Dr Isabel Creed	Cllr Kieron Mallon	Cllr Paul Jeffreys	Cllr Fiona Mawson
Cllr Frank Ideh	Cllr Rebecca Biegel	Cllr Nigel Simpson	Cllr George Popescu	
Cllr Julius Parker				
Cllr Chris Pruden				
Cllr Bryonie Wells				

Planning Committee

Membership (11 members, 11 named substitutes. All committee members and named substitutes must have received planning training prior to attending a meeting)

Liberal Democrat (5)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (1)	Green (1)
Cllr Chris Brant	Cllr Besmira Brasha	Cllr Ian Harwood	Cllr Yvonne Greene	Cllr Fiona Mawson
Cllr Jean Conway	Cllr Dr Isabel Creed	Cllr Doug Webb		
Cllr Robert Parkinson				
Cllr Lisa Smith				
Cllr Dorothy Walker				

Named Substitutes (11 – not included in the proportionality calculations, reflect make up of full membership)

Liberal Democrat (5)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (1)	Green (1)
Cllr Nicola Borkmann	Cllr Rebecca Biegel	Cllr Eddie Reeves	Cllr Mark Gorman	Cllr Linda Ward
Cllr David Hingley	Cllr Dr Kerrie Thornhill	Cllr David Rogers		
Cllr Lesley McLean				
Cllr Rob Pattenden				
Cllr John Willett				

Non-Proportional Committees

(NB. The number in brackets indicates the number of seats for the Group on the Committee. All Group nominations are listed alphabetically by councillor surname)

Licensing Acts Committee

Membership (12 seats, with unnamed substitutes who can be any member of the relevant Group)

Liberal Democrat (5)	Labour (2)	Conservative (2)	Reform UK (2)	Green (1)	
Cllr Gordon Blakeway	Cllr Rebecca Biegel	Cllr Fiaz Ahmed	Cllr George Popescu	Cllr Ian Middleton	
Cllr Julius Parker	Cllr Henry Elugwu	Cllr Doug Webb	Cllr Michael Wilson		
Cllr Chris Pruden					
Cllr Lisa Smith					
Cllr John Willett					