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| Councillor David Henderson, Leader of the Council and Garry Payne, Chief Executive | Council | 11 March 2021 |

Membership of Committees

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To enable changes to be made to the membership of committees for the remainder of the 2020/21 Municipal Year.

2. Outcomes

- 2.1 Effective arrangements to carry out the Council's non-executive decision making and advisory functions.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the revised allocation of seats on committees, with an allocation of 59 seats to the Conservative Group, 13 seats to the Labour Group, 5 seats to the Wyre Alliance Group and 3 seats to the Wyre Residents Group, be noted.
- 3.2 That Councillor O'Neill be appointed to the Planning Committee in place of Councillor George.
- 3.3 That Councillor George be appointed to the Audit Committee in place of Councillor O'Neill.

4. Background

- 4.1 On 2 February 2021 Councillors George and Gerrard informed the Chief Executive that they had resigned from the Wyre Alliance Group and had formed the Wyre Residents Group. They have confirmed that the Leader of the Wyre Residents Group will be Councillor George.
- 4.2 As a consequence, changes need to be made to the membership of committees in order to comply with the political balance rules.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1** The number of members of the Conservative and Labour Groups remains unchanged, as does their allocation of seats on committees, which is Conservative 59 and Labour 13.
- 5.2** Of the remaining 8 seats, 5 are allocated to the Wyre Alliance Group and 3 to the Wyre Residents Group, based on the formula applied (there being 3 members of the Wyre Alliance Group and 2 members of the Wyre Residents Group).
- 5.3** The Wyre Alliance Group will be allocated one seat on each of the following committees: Planning, Licensing, Overview and Scrutiny, Audit and Employment & Appeals.
- 5.4** The Wyre Residents Group will be allocated one seat on each of the following committees: Licensing, Audit and Standards.

| Financial and legal implications | |
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| Finance | There are no overall financial implications arising from the changes. |
| Legal | No additional legal implications to note. |

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

| risks/implications | ✓ / x |
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| community safety | x |
| equality and diversity | x |
| sustainability | x |
| health and safety | x |

| risks/implications | ✓ / x |
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| asset management | x |
| climate change | x |
| ICT | x |
| data protection | x |

Processing Personal Data

In addition to considering data protection along with the other risks/ implications, the report author will need to decide if a 'privacy impact assessment (PIA)' is also required. If the decision(s) recommended in this report will result in the collection and processing of personal data for the first time (i.e. purchase of a new system, a new working arrangement with a third party) a PIA will need to have been completed

and signed off by Data Protection Officer before the decision is taken in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

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| List of background papers: | | |
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| name of document | date | where available for inspection |
| none | | |

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