

| Report of: | Meeting | Date | ltem no. |
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| The Leader of the Council (Cllr David Henderson) and the Chief Executive (Garry Payne) | Annual Council | 10 May 2018 | 7 |

Appointments to Committees Panels and Groups 2018/19

1. Purpose of report

1.1 To enable Members to be appointed to the Council's Committees and other Panels and Groups for the 2018/19 Council 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 all the current Committees, Panels and Groups be reappointed for 2018/19, with the same number of places on each and with the same membership as in 2017/18, except:
 - (a) That Councillor Cartridge be appointed to the Licensing Committee in place of Councillor Bridge;
 - (b) That Councillor Collinson be appointed to the Employment and Appeals Committee in place of Councillor Bridge.
 - (c) That Councillor Bowen be appointed to the Senior Officers Appointments Committee in place of Councillor Murphy.
 - (d) That Councillor Bowen be appointed to the Senior Officers Disciplinary Committee in place of Councillor Murphy.
 - (e) That Councillor Henderson be appointed to the Councillor Development Group in place of Councillor Murphy.

- (f) That Councillor Michael Vincent (in his role as the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder) be appointed to the Planning Policy Group in place of Councillor Murphy.
- (g) That Councillor R Duffy be appointed to the Standards Committee in place of Cllr M Anderton;
- (h) That Councillor Barrowclough be appointed to the Licensing Committee in place of Cllr M Anderton;
- (i) That Councillor Beavers be appointed to the Audit Committee in place of Councillor Barrowclough;
- (j) That Councillor Fail be appointed to both the Senior Officers Appointments Committee and the Senior Officers Disciplinary Committee in place of Councillor Beavers
- **3.2** That the prospective Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of each Committee, as indicated with an asterisk in Appendix 1, be noted.
- **3.3** That Councillor Berry be re-appointed as the Wyre Council representative on the Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire for 2018/19.
- **3.4** That, Councillor Henderson be re-appointed as the additional Conservative representative from a District Council on the Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire for 2018/19, if still required to achieve political balance on the Panel.

4. Background

- **4.1** The Council Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution require that: "At the Annual Meeting, the Council will appoint at least one Overview and Scrutiny Committee, a Standards Committee and such other Committees as the Council considers appropriate to deal with matters, which are neither reserved to the Council, nor are Executive functions (as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution)."
- **4.2** Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act requires that the allocation of places on non-executive Committees of the Council must be allocated on the following criteria:
 - (a) that all seats on a body are not allocated to the same Political Group;
 - (b) that the majority of seats on a body are allocated to a particular Political Group, if the number of persons belonging to that Group is the majority of the Authority's membership;

- (c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the number of seats on the ordinary Committees of a relevant Authority which are allocated to each Political Group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary Committees of that Authority;
- (d) subject to paragraphs (a) (c) above, that the number of seats on a body which are allocated to each Political Group bears the same proportion to the number of all seats on that body as is borne by the number of members of that Group in membership of the Authority.
- **4.3** Places on the committees, and also the panels and other groups currently established by the Council, as listed in Appendix 1, have been allocated on the basis of calculations made under the political balance rules set out above. No adjustments are required for 2018/19.
- **4.5** Each council in Lancashire appoints one representative to the Police and Crime Panel (PCP), which is established as a formal Joint Committee of the 15 local authorities for the Lancashire police force area. The terms of reference of the Panel are set out under Responsibilities for Joint Functions in Part 3.04 of the Council's Constitution. Councillor Berry was appointed at the Annual Council meeting last year as the Wyre Council representative on the Panel for 2017/18. Wyre currently has a second Conservative representative on the Panel to ensure that the required political balance on the Panel is achieved. Councillor Gibson was appointed to fill that place at the Annual Meeting in May 2017, but ceased to be eligible when he resigned from the Conservative Group and Councillor Henderson was appointed as a second representative at the last Council meeting on 12 April.

5. Key issues and proposals

- **5.1** Notification has been received of a number of changes to Conservative places on committees, directly or indirectly as a consequence of the appointment of Councillor Bridge to the Cabinet as listed in paragraph 3.1. Councillor Cartridge, who was elected at a by-election in January 2018, has not previously been a member of any committees has been nominated to the Licensing Committee, in place of Councillor Bridge.
- **5.2** In accordance with the usual convention, the new Mayor, Councillor M Anderton, will not be a member of any committees. The Labour nominations for her replacements are Councillor Barrowclough on the Licensing Committee and Councillor R Duffy on the Standards Committee. The Labour Group has also nominated Councillor Beavers to the Audit Committee in place of Councillor Barrowclough and Councillor Fail to the Senior Officers Appointments and Disciplinary Committees.
- **5.3** A full list of the proposed membership of all Committees, Panels and Groups for 2018/19 is attached as Appendix 1.

5.4 As usual, the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of each Committee, Panel and Group will be formally appointed at its' respective first meeting in 2018/19. However, where known the Conservative Group nominations for those roles are indicated with an asterisk in Appendix 1.

| Financial and legal implications | | |
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| Finance | None arising directly from this report. | |
| Legal | The proposals in this report are in accordance with legal requirements, as referred to in section 4 of this report. | |

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a \checkmark 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.

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

| risks/implications | √/x |
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| asset management | х |
| climate change | х |
| data protection | х |

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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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Appendix 1: Nominations to Committees, Panels and Groups 2018/19

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APPENDIX 1

NOMINATIONS TO COMMITTEES 2018/19

PLANNING COMMITTEE (14 Councillors: 10 Conservative, 4 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors I Amos, R Amos, Lady Atkins, Ballard (Vice Chairman)*, Ellison, Greenhough, Holden, Ingham, Moon (Chairman)* and Orme.

Labour: Councillors Lees, Raynor, Shewan and E Stephenson.

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LICENSING COMMITTEE (14 Councillors: 10 Conservative, 4 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors C Birch, Cartridge, Catterall, Ormrod, Pimbley, Robinson (Chairman)*, A Turner, Matthew Vincent, Walmsley (Vice-Chairman)* and Wilson.

Labour: Councillors Barrowclough, Lees, Smith and B Stephenson.

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Scrutiny

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (14 Councillors: 11 Conservative, 3 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors I Amos, R Amos, Ballard, C Birch, Ellison, Hodgkinson, Ibison (Chairman)*, Jones (Vice Chairman)*, Ormrod, Robinson and Matthew Vincent.

Labour: Councillors E Anderton, Fail and Smith.

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<u>Others</u>

AUDIT COMMITTEE (14 Councillors: 10 Conservative, 4 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors McKay (Chairman)*, A Turner (Vice Chairman)*, R Amos, Balmain, Greenhough, Holden, Ingham, Moon, Walmsley and Wilson.

Labour: Councillors. E Anderton, Beavers, Raynor and B Stephenson.

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EMPLOYMENT AND APPEALS COMMITTEE (10 Councillors: 7 Conservative, 3 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors A Turner (Chairman)*, Robinson (Vice-Chairman)*, R Amos, B Birch, Collinson, Holden, and Wilson.

Labour: Councillors I Duffy, R Duffy and Shewan.

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SENIOR OFFICERS APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (4 Councillors: 3 Conservative, 1 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors Henderson, Bowen and A. Vincent

Labour: Councillor Fail

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SENIOR OFFICERS DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE (4 Councillors: 3 Conservative, 1 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors Henderson, Bowen and A. Vincent

Labour: Councillor Fail

Independent Person's: Barry Parsonage and Helen Kay.

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STANDARDS COMMITTEE (6 Councillors: 4 Conservative, 2 Labour)

Conservatives: Councillors B Birch (Chairman)*, I Amos, Catterall and Moon (Vice-Chairman)*.

Labour: Councillors R Duffy and Lees.

Nominated substitutes for Code of Conduct Hearings if required:

Conservative: Councillors Lady Atkins and Kay Labour: Councillors Beavers and Fail

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COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES NOT GOVERNED BY STATUTORY POLITICAL BALANCE RULES

COUNCILLOR DEVELOPMENT GROUP (12 Councillors: 9 Conservative, 3 Labour)

Conservative: Councillors C Birch, Henderson, Holden, Jones, Kay, A Turner, S Turner, Matthew Vincent and Walmsley.

Labour: Councillors Smith, B Stephenson and E Stephenson.

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PLANNING POLICY GROUP (15 Councillors: 9 Conservative, 3 Labour plus the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Cllr Michael Vincent), Chairman (Cllr Moon) and Vice Chairman (Cllr Ballard) of Planning Committee.

Conservative: Councillors I Amos, Atkins, Ballard (Vice Chairman)*, B Birch, Greenhough, Ingham, Jones, Moon (Chairman)*, Pimbley, Robinson, S Turner and Michael Vincent.

Labour: Councillors Beavers, Fail and Shewan.

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Note: * The appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen is subject to confirmation at the first meeting of each of the Committees, Panels and Groups.

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