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Committee Appointments 2024/25

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1.0 Purpose of the report

1.1 To enable the Council to make appointments to Committees for the municipal year 2024/25.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the memberships and appointments to Committees for the municipal year 2024/25 be approved.

3.0 Reason for recommendation

3.1 To make Committee appointments for the municipal year 2024/25.

4.0 Report details

4.1 Committee appointments

The Council is requested to make appointments to the following committees:

- Appeals and Regulatory Committee
- Employment and General Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Planning Committee
- Planning sub committee
- Scrutiny Select Committee Building a resilient Council
- Scrutiny Select Committee Economic Growth and Communities
- Standards and Audit Committee

4.2 Procedure for making committee appointments

The Leader of the Majority Group will move that the various Committees, and the total number of Members on each, shall be as

- shown in Appendix 1. The Leader's proposal will be seconded and voted upon.
- 4.3 In accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Regulation 14 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the Chief Executive will indicate to Group Leaders details of the number of seats on each Committee which are to be allocated to each group. These will be as shown in Appendix 2.
- 4.4 The Group Leaders will then indicate their groups' appointments to the Committees. These are as shown in Appendix 3. It will be moved, seconded and voted on that the names submitted by the Group Leaders be approved.
- 4.5 The Leader of the Majority Group will move the appointment of the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of each Committee as shown in Appendix 4. The Leader's proposal will be seconded and voted upon.

5.0 Alternative options

5.1 None.

6.0 Implications for consideration – Financial and value for money

Allowances were considered as part of the 2023 independent remuneration panel review. As of 1st April 2024 each elected member will receive £7,337.91 per annum in basic allowances. Additional special responsibility allowances are also paid for specific roles including Leader, Deputy Leader, Cabinet and Committee Chair's etc.

7.0 Implications for consideration – Legal

7.1 Committee appointments are made in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Regulation 14 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

8.0 Implications for consideration – Human resources

8.1 None.

9.0 Implications for consideration – Council plan

9.1 Council agreed the Council Plan 2023 – 2027 at Council in February 2023.

10.0 Implications for consideration – Climate change

10.1 The induction programme for new and returning members includes Climate Change training. This helps members to make informed decisions as part of their committee work.

11.0 Implications for consideration – Equality and diversity

11.1 The induction programme for new and returning members includes equality and diversity training. This helps members to make informed decisions as part of their committee work.

12.0 Implications for consideration – Risk management

12.1 The induction programme for new and returning members includes briefings around a range of topics which include specific risk areas including decision making, code of conduct, information assurance, equality and diversity, safeguarding, communications and health and safety. This helps members to make informed decisions as part of their committee work.

Decision information

Key decision number	1168
Wards affected	All

Document information

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Background documents

These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when the report was prepared.

None

Appendices to the report

Appendix 1 - Committee appointments 2024/25

Appendix 2 - Allocation of seats 2024/25

Appendix 3 - Proposed membership of committees 2024/25

Appendix 4 – Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair of Committees 2024/25