

Title of Report	APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND GROUPS, ELECTION OF CHAIRMEN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMEN	
Presented by	Councillor Robert Ashman Deputy Leader	
Background Papers	The Council's Constitution.	Public Report: Yes
Financial Implications	Amendments to individual Members Allowances will need to be made to the budget in respect of any changes to SRAs in accordance with the rates agreed by Council at its meeting on 25 February 2020	
	Signed off by the Section 151 Officer: Yes	
Legal Implications	<p>In determining the membership of committees, account must be taken of the requirements of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and 1991 made under sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. These Regulations require that seats on committees and sub-committees are allocated to the political groups in a way which reflects the overall balance on the Council; with some exceptions to any committees/working groups established under the Constitution.</p> <p>The Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioner (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections and Referendums) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 determine that the existing vacant seat and any which may occur during the current civic year may not be filled by election until 6 May 2021.</p>	
	Signed off by the Monitoring Officer: Yes	
Staffing and Corporate Implications	There are no implications	
	Signed off by the Head of Paid Service: Yes	
Purpose of Report	To appoint the committees and groups of the Council and members to serve thereon and also to elect the Chairmen and Deputy Chairmen.	
Recommendations	<p>(A) TO MAKE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEES AND GROUPS LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 1.2 OF THE REPORT.</p> <p>(B) THAT CHAIRMEN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMEN BE APPOINTED FOR THE COMMITTEES AND GROUPS LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 3.1 OF THE REPORT.</p>	

1.0 APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES AND GROUPS

1.1 In accordance with the Constitution Members must, at the Council's Annual Meeting, receive nominations of Councillors to serve on each board or committee and appoint to those boards or committees.

1.2 The committees and groups include:

- Appointments Committee (*4 Members plus appropriate Portfolio Holder*)
- Audit and Governance Committee (*10 Members*)
- Electoral Review Working Party (*5 Members*)
- Employee Joint Consultative Committee (*6 Members*)
- Investigatory Committee (*5 Members*)
- Licensing Committee (*17 Members*)
- Local Plan Committee (*11 Members*)
- Planning Committee (*11 Members*)
- Community Scrutiny Committee (*10 Members*)
- Corporate Scrutiny Committee (*10 Members*)

2.0 POLITICAL BALANCE REQUIREMENTS

2.1 The allocation of seats on ordinary committees must be the same proportion as the number of members of the Authority as a whole. The Council has a duty when allocating or reviewing the allocation of seats on committees to give effect so far as is reasonably practicable to the following four principles:-

- (i) all the seats are not allocated to the same political group;
- (ii) the majority of the seats go to the political group in the majority on the full Council;
- (iii) subject to the above two principles, the total number of seats on the ordinary committees of the Authority are allocated to each political group in the same proportion as the group's representation on the full Council; and
- (iv) subject to the above three principles, the number of seats on each committee are allocated to each political group in the same proportion as the group's representation on the Council.

2.2 As Members are aware, there is a vacancy in the Worthington and Breedon Ward and the the Regulations determine that this vacant seat and any which may occur during the current civic year may not be filled by election until 6 May 2021 at the earliest.

2.3 The proportionality calculations have therefore been based on 37 members and one vacant position. The overall result requires no changes to the existing allocation of seats. This will be reviewed once the outcome of any by-election is known.

3.0 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMEN

3.1 Members are asked to appoint the Chairmen and Deputy Chairmen to the following:

- Appointments Committee
- Audit and Governance Committee
- Investigatory Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Local Plan Committee
- Planning Committee

- Community Scrutiny Committee
- Corporate Scrutiny Committee

4.0 NOMINATIONS

4.1 Nominations for the seats on the above committees and groups will be circulated at the meeting.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate	
Council Priorities:	Supporting Coalville to be a more vibrant, family-friendly town Support for businesses and helping people into local jobs Developing a clean and green district Local people live in high quality, affordable homes Our communities are safe, healthy and connected
Policy Considerations:	The Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and 1991 made under sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
Safeguarding:	Not applicable
Equalities/Diversity:	The process ensures that all committees have a politically balanced make up.
Customer Impact:	Not applicable
Economic and Social Impact:	Not applicable
Environment and Climate Change:	Not applicable
Consultation/Community Engagement:	Political Group Leaders
Risks:	Failure to appoint to the relevant Committees would put the Council in breach of its duties and compromise the legality and integrity of any future decisions.
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