

Political Balance: Recommendations for Committee Memberships

Corporate Governance Committee

The membership of the Corporate Governance Committee is 6 councillors of whom one shall be the Vice Chair of the Council, politically balanced. The current Vice Chair is the Independent Group's Councillor Bartley. Whilst no changes are required for this committee until the Annual Meeting of Council in May, the new Vice Chairman will subsequently take their seat on this committee and (if not from the Independent Group) membership changes will be required to restore political balance.

Recommendation: *Consider the membership of the Corporate Governance Committee once the incoming Vice Chairman is confirmed.*

Partnerships Scrutiny Committee

The Labour and Conservative Groups each have an extra seat at present whilst the Independent Group are 2 seats below their entitlement.

Recommendation: *The Independent Group to consider nominating 2 extra members to this committee with the Labour and Conservative Groups withdrawing 1 member each.*

Planning Committee

The Conservative Group currently have 1 extra seat whilst the Independent Group are entitled to an extra seat.

Recommendation: *Councillor Peter Duffy be appointed to the Committee whilst the Conservative Group withdraws 1 member*

Corporate Health, Safety and Well-being Committee

The Independents have nominated Councillor Richard Davies to fill their vacant seat

Recommendation: *The Independent Group (Councillor Richard Davies) to gain 1 seat from either the Conservative or Plaid Cymru Groups.*

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The Independent Group are entitled to 1 extra seat (from either the Conservative or Plaid Cymru Groups) but have not been able to nominate a member.

Recommendation: Retain current membership.

Appeals and Complaints Committee

The Labour Group are entitled to take 2 more seats on this 'committee', whilst there is 1 vacant seat. The Plaid Cymru Group currently has 1 extra member.

Recommendation: The Labour Group to nominate 2 members. If these nominations are received the Plaid Cymru Group will need to withdraw 1 member.