

**REPORT OF Head of Legal & Governance (Monitoring Officer)****To: Annual General Meeting****Subject: Allocation of Seats to Political Groups****Date: 16 May 2022****Reference:****PURPOSE OF REPORT:**

To agree the number of seats on the Committees allocated to each of the Political Groups

**1. INTRODUCTION**

It is a requirement of the Council's Constitution that Full Council approve the number of seats on the Committees allocated to each of the Political Groups each year at the Annual General Meeting

**2. REPORT**

The Committee seats are allocated on a political proportionality basis. Based on the number of Councillors per Group the seat allocation has been calculated as follows:

Committee Seats Allocation			Scrutiny Internal	Scrutiny External	Joint Crem	Community & Resources	Audit	Plans	Licensing	Standards	Totals
			9	9	5	12	6	9	10	7	67
Group	No. of Cllrs	% of seats									
Conservative	11	30.56%	3	2	1	3	2	3	3	2	19
Labour	3	8.33%	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	6
Non-aligned	4	11.11%	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	7
Independent	16	44.44%	3	4	3	6	3	4	5	3	31
Lib Dem	2	5.56%	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	4
	36	100%	9	9	5	12	6	9	10	7	67
Total Number of Seats Allocation											
					No. of Cllrs	% of seats	No. of Seats	Rounded			
Councillors	36		Conservative		11	30.56%		20			
No. Committees	8		Labour		3	8.33%		6			
Total no. of seats	67		Non-aligned		4	11.11%		7			
			Independent		16	44.44%		30			
			Lib Dem		2	5.56%		4			
					36	100.00%		67			

**3. IMPLICATIONS**Legal Implications

It is a requirement of the Council's Constitution that this is agreed each year

Financial Implications

None



Human Resources Implications

None

Sustainability/Biodiversity Implications

n/a

Equality/Diversity

n/a

Risk Management

n/a

Compliance with Policies and Strategies

It is a requirement of the Council's Constitution that this is agreed each year

Data Protection (GDPR) Implications

n/a

Climate Change

n/a

Ward Member and Lead Member Views

n/a

**4. CONCLUSIONS**

It is a requirement of the Council's Constitution that Full Council approve the number of seats on the Committees allocated to each of the Political Groups at the Annual General Meeting

**5. RECOMMENDATIONS**

Members are recommended to:

- Approve the number of seats on the Committees allocated to each of the Political Groups as detailed in this report

