

## **Council**

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**Date of Meeting:** 4 May 2021

**Report Title:** Allocations of the Office of Chairman and Vice Chairman

**Senior Officer:** Director of Governance and Compliance

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### **1. Report Summary**

- 1.1. To allocate Chairmanships and Vice-Chairmanships of the Council's committees and other bodies to the Council's political Groups, and to agree the nominations to such offices.

### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1. That the office of Chairman and Vice-Chairman be allocated to the political Groups of each of the Council's decision-making and other bodies, as indicated in the report and as shown in the Appendix to the previous agenda item, and to agree the nominations to such offices.

### **3. Reasons for Recommendations**

- 3.1. To allocate the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Council's decision making and other bodies to the Council's political Groups.

### **4. Other Options Considered**

- 4.1. Not applicable.

### **5. Background**

#### **Allocation of Chairmanships and Vice-Chairmanships under the Council's Political Structure for the Municipal Year 2021/22**

- 5.1. In readiness for the forthcoming Municipal Year, there is a requirement that the Chairmanships and Vice-Chairmanships of each of the Council's decision-making committee be allocated to the political Groups and that the chairs be nominated.
- 5.2. The new service committees, and Finance Sub Committee must have a chair and vice chair, as does the new overview and scrutiny committee.

- 5.3. The Appendix to the previous agenda item will indicate the proposed allocation of Chairmanships and Vice-Chairmanships to political Groups for each listed body. The Appendix will indicate “C” for Chairman and “VC” for Vice-Chairman.

## **6. Implications of the Recommendations**

### **6.1. Legal Implications**

- 6.1.1. The Annual Meeting of the Council appoints the Council’s decision-making and other bodies. It also determines the allocation of Chairmanships and Vice-Chairmanships of these bodies.

### **6.2. Finance Implications**

- 6.2.1. Certain of the listed Chairmanships and Vice-chairmanships attract a Special Responsibility Allowance, in accordance with the Council’s Members’ Allowances Scheme.

### **6.3. Policy Implications**

- 6.3.1. There are no direct implications for policy.

### **6.4. Equality Implications**

- 6.4.1. There are no direct implications for equality.

### **6.5. Human Resources Implications**

- 6.5.1. There are no direct implications for Human Resources.

### **6.6. Risk Management Implications**

- 6.6.1. Failure to comply with the requirements of the Constitution would leave the Council open to legal challenge.

### **6.7. Rural Communities Implications**

- 6.7.1. There are no direct implications for rural communities.

### **6.8. Implications for Children & Young People**

- 6.8.1. There are no direct implications for children and young people/Cared for Children.

### **6.9. Public Health Implications**

- 6.9.1. There are no direct implications for public health.

## **6.10. Climate Change Implications**

6.10.1. There are no implications relating to climate change.

## **7. Ward Members Affected**

7.1. All Ward Members.

## **8. Access to Information**

8.1. The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report author.

## **9. Contact Information**

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