

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7. NON-EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS – SCRUTINY COMMITTEES: APPOINTMENT, MEMBERSHIP, TERMS OF REFERENCE AND ALLOCATION OF CHAIR POSITIONS**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Members are requested to note that “true” entitlement to seats on Scrutiny Committees for each Group in 2024/25 is:

- Labour – 26.86 (rounded up to 27)
- Conservative – 13.97 (rounded up to 14)
- Plaid Cymru – 8.60 (rounded up to 9)
- Llantwit First Independents – 4.29 (rounded down to 4)
- Independent: Councillor Campbell – 1.06 (rounded down to 1)
- Independent: Councillor Mahoney – 1.06 (rounded down to 1)
- Independent: Councillor Morgan – 1.06 (rounded down to 1)
- Independent: Councillor Perry – 1.06 (rounded down to 1).

The apportionment of seats in 2024/25 will, therefore, be as follows:

- Labour – 27
- Conservative – 14
- Plaid Cymru – 9
- Llantwit First Independents – 4
- Councillor Campbell – 1
- Councillor Mahoney – 1
- Councillor Morgan – 1
- Councillor Perry – 1.

The current overall political table was attached as Appendix A to the covering report.

As reported to the Annual Meeting last year and following the Local Government Elections, Members will note that each Political Group was required to give a seat up on one of the Council’s five Scrutiny Committees so that each Group reached their legal entitlement of seats across all five of the Scrutiny Committees. Since the publication of the agenda for the Annual meeting the Group Leaders have indicated which of the Scrutiny Committees they would be giving a seat up on:

- Labour – one seat on Homes and Safe Communities
- Conservative – one seat on Homes and Safe Communities
- Plaid Cymru – one seat on Homes and Safe Communities
- Llantwit First Independents – one seat on Learning and Culture..

Of the seats given up by each Group, one seat fell to each of the Independent Members, Councillor Campbell, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Morgan and Councillor Perry.

Having regard to the above, the four Independent Members have been contacted and have been allocated their respective seats on the following Scrutiny Committees:

- Councillor Campbell – Learning and Culture Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee
- Councillor Mahoney – Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee
- Councillor Morgan – Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee
- Councillor Perry – Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee.

However, Councillor Mahoney has indicated he will not be taking up his allocated seat. Councillor Perry is yet to confirm if he will take up his allocated seat.

It is recommended to Council that the above allocations be approved and that should Councillor Perry not take up his seat this also, like Councillor Mahoney's seat, be noted as vacant.

As indicated in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.3 of the original report contained in the agenda previously circulated, the Leader of the Labour Group and Coalition has indicated that it is her intention to retain their allocation of two Scrutiny Committee Chairs and to be Chaired as follows:

- Corporate Performance and Resources – Councillor J. Protheroe
- Environment and Regeneration – Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby

The Leader of the Conservative Group has indicated his intention to retain their allocation of two Scrutiny Committee Chairs and to be Chaired as follows:

- Healthy Living and Social Care – Councillor J.E. Charles
- Learning and Culture – Councillor R.R. Thomas

The Plaid Cymru Group will retain the Chair of the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee

- Councillor A.M. Collins.

Political Groups, and where relevant the individual Member, have indicated their membership of Scrutiny Committees will be as follows:

(a) **Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny – (11 Members) –**

Labour: 5: Councillors P. Drake, E. Goodjohn, H.C. Hamilton, B. Loveluck-Edwards and J. Protheroe (Chair)

Conservative: 3: Councillors G.D.D. Carroll, R. Fisher and N.J. Wood

Plaid Cymru: 2: Councillor C.P. Franks and Dr. I.J. Johnson

Llantwit First Independents: 1: Councillor S.M. Hanks

(b) **Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny – (11 Members)**

Labour: 5: Councillors P. Drake, C. Iannucci-Williams, S. Lloyd-Selby (Chair), E. Penn and J. Protheroe

Conservative: 3: Councillors C.E.A. Champion, V.P. Driscoll and A.M. Ernest

Plaid Cymru: 2: Councillors M. Hooper and S.T. Wiliam

Llantwit Firsts – Councillor J.Norman

(c) **Healthy Living and Social Care Scrutiny – (12 Members)** –

Labour: 6: Councillors G. Ball, I.R. Buckley, S. Lloyd-Selby, J. Lynch-Wilson, C. Stallard and N.C. Thomas

Conservative: 3: Councillors C.A. Cave, J.E. Charles (Chair) and R.E. Godfrey

Plaid Cymru: 2: Councillors A.M. Collins and C.M. Cowpe

Llantwit First Independents: 1: Councillor J.M. Norman

(d) **Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny – (12 Members)** –

Labour: 5: Councillors J. Aviet, G. Ball, S. Lloyd-Selby, B. Loveluck-Edwards and H.M. Payne

Conservative: 2: Councillors S.J. Haines and W.A. Hennessy

Plaid Cymru: 1: Councillor A.M. Collins (Chair)

Llantwit First Independents: 1: Councillor S.M. Hanks

Independent: 1: Councillor M.J.G. Morgan

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\* Councillor Mahoney has confirmed that he does not wish to take up a seat on a Scrutiny Committee, accordingly there will be currently one vacancy on the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee as there is no entitlement to another Group. Councillor Perry has yet to confirm if he will take up a seat on Homes and Safe Communities.

1 representative, in a co-opted non-voting observer capacity, of the following organisation:

Citizens Advice Cardiff and Vale

plus 4 Representatives from Tenant Working Group / Panel.

(e) **Learning and Culture Scrutiny – (12 Members)** –

Labour: 6: Councillors W. Gilligan, Emma Goodjohn, Ewan Goodjohn, J. Lynch-Wilson, N.B. Marshallsea and H.M. Payne

Conservative: 3: Councillors S.J. Haines, W.A. Hennessy and R.R. Thomas (Chair)

Plaid Cymru: 2: Councillors A. Asbrey and N.P. Hodges

Independent: 1: Councillor S. Campbell

Also invited to attend as co-opted members:

Church in Wales

Roman Catholic Church

Parent Governor – Primary Sector

Parent Governor – Secondary Sector

Also invited to attend as non-voting observers:

Vale Youth Forum – 2 representatives

Vale Youth Council – 2 representatives

Welsh Medium Education

Secondary

Primary

Special

Headteachers

Free Churches