

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

MEETING: County Council DATE: 19th May 2022 DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: All

1. PURPOSE:

To appoint committees together with their membership and terms of reference in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

2. **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the following committees be appointed together with their membership as set below, and their terms of reference attached as appendices.

That Council appoints the Chair of Democratic Services Committee.

2.1 Area Committees

That Area Committees be appointed, with the terms of reference attached as appendix A.

North Monmouthshire, Ward Members for:

Llanelly

Grofield

Lansdown

Croesonen

Gobion Fawr

Goetre Fawr

Llanfoist Fawr and Govilon

Mardy

Crucorney

Cantref

Park

Pen Y Fal

Central Monmouthshire, Ward Members for:

Mitchel Troy and Trellech United

Llangybi Fawr

Raglan

Llantillio Crossenny

Wyesham

Llanbadoc and Usk

Overmonnnow

Drybridge Osabaston Town

Lower Wye, Ward Members for:

St Kingsmark

Shirenewton

Devauden

Bulwark and Thornwell

St Arvans

Caerwent

Chepstow Castle and Larkfield

Mount Pleasant

Severnside, Ward Members for:

Dewstow

West End

Portskewett

Rogiet

Severn

Caldicot Castle

Caldicot Cross

Magor East with Undy

Magor West

2.2 GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

That the Governance and Audit Committee be appointed, with the terms of reference attached as appendix B.

That the membership of the Committee comprises 8 members of the Council, to be appointed in accordance with political balance, plus four lay members.

That it be noted that the Chair of the Governance and Audit Committee will be appointed by the Committee.

2.3 DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

That a Democratic Services Committee be appointed, with the terms of reference attached as appendix C.

That the membership of the Committee comprises 12 members of the Council, politically balanced.

That the Chair of the Democratic Services Committee be appointed by the Council. In accordance with s14 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure the Chair of the Democratic Services Committee cannot be a Member of the Executive or the Executive Group.

2.4 INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

As determined by Full Council on 10 May 2018 with powers as set out by the Council's Asset Management Strategy. The Committee is to comprise the Leader, Deputy Leader, Cabinet Member for Resources and the Leaders of the 2 next largest Groups. Terms of reference set out in Appendix G

2.4 REGULATORY AND OTHER COMMITTEES

That the following Committees, together with their terms of reference, attached as appendix D, be appointed, subject to any changes to be notified by the political groups.

- (a) Planning (16 Members)
- (b) Licensing and Regulatory (12 Members)
- (c) Sub-Committees under the Licensing Act 2003
- Three sub-committees of three members to be established to meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Opposition spokesman of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee to be appointed as Chairman of each sub-committee
- The nine remaining members be called to attend sub-committee meetings on a rota basis in discussion with the Chairman of the relevant sub-committee.
- (d) Appeals Committee (3 members)

3 members to be nominated on an ad hoc basis.

- (e) Appointment of Local Authority Governors Committee (7 Members)
- (f) Standing Advisory Council on Religion, Values and Ethics (SAC) (6 Members)

Persons to represent Christian denominations and other religions and denominations of such religions, and non-religious philosophical convictions.

Persons to represent such associations representing teachers as in the opinion of the County Council ought to be represented, having regard to the circumstances of the area.

Persons to represent the County Council.

i. Christian denominations and other religions and denominations, and non-religious philosophical convictions, as set out below:

17 members

The Church in Wales 1 member
The Roman Catholic Church 1 member
Free Churches 4 members

Baha'l Faith 1 member
Buddhist Faith 1 member
Hindu Faith 1 member
Muslim Faith 1 member
Jewish Faith 1 member
Sikh Faith 1 member

Non-religious philosophical convictions to be determined by

SAC

Co - opted 2 members

ii. Teachers associations: 7 members

iii. Monmouthshire County Council: 6 members

The Chair of SAC will be the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People as agreed by Council in May 2022.

- (g) The following committees will be appointed as and when required, based on the below membership arrangements, and the constitution:
 - Appointment Committee (5 members)
 - Remuneration Committee (Chief Executive) (5 members)
 - Investigation Committee (3 members)
 - Disciplinary Committee (3 members)

2.5 SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

That the following Scrutiny Committees be appointed, together with their terms of reference, attached as appendix E:

- People Scrutiny Committee (9 Members)
- Place Scrutiny Committee (9 Members)
- Performance and Overview Scrutiny Committee (9 Members)
- Public Services Scrutiny Committee (9 Members)

That the following members be co-opted to the Performance and Overview Scrutiny Committee

Voting on Education Issues only

Church in Wales
Parent Governor Representative
Parent Governor Representative
Catholic Church

Non-Voting

ASCL NAHT NASUWT NEU Free Church Federal Council

Association of School Governors

That each Select Committee shall be entitled to recommend to Council the appointment of a maximum of five people as non-voting co-optees.

2.6 STANDARDS COMMITTEE

That the Standards Committee be appointed with the terms of reference attached as appendix F.

That the membership of the Committee comprise 3 members of the authority other than the Leader, 5 voting co-optees and one community member.

3. REASONS

To ensure the Council is compliant with its constitution.

4. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Members to be remunerated in line with the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report for this Council year unless explicitly requested to opt-out of receiving some or all of their remuneration by individual Members.

5. CONSULTEES:

Monitoring Officer

6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:

None

7. SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS:

None

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Monmouthshire County Council Constitution, as revised March 2021.

9. AUTHOR:

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