

	<p>REPORT TO THE COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON 14 MAY 2018</p>
	<p>Key Decision NO</p> <p>Forward Plan Ref No</p>
<p>Corporate Plan: Council – to be an efficient and effective council which is financially sustainable for the future</p>	<p>Cabinet Portfolio Holder Cllr Derek Bastiman The Leader</p>

REPORT OF: DIRECTOR (LD) – 18/88

WARDS AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES 2018/19 AND CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

RECOMMENDATION (S):

That the Council:

- (i) notes the Leader's decision to appoint Councillor Heather Phillips to replace Councillor Joe Plant as Portfolio Holder for Transformation with effect from the latter's appointment as Mayor for 2018/19;
- (ii) considers the lists of nominations to the committees for 2018/19 in Appendix A of this report and determines the appointments to be made for ratification at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 17 May 2018;
- (iii) notes the following mid-term changes to the Council's representation on outside bodies approved by the Leader of the Council in 2017/18 for the remainder of the life of this Council (until May 2019):
 - Councillor Chatt's appointment to replace Councillor Donohue-Moncrieff as one of the Council's representatives on the Board of Yorkshire Coast Homes
 - Councillor Vesey's appointment to replace Councillor Chatt as one of the Council's representatives on the Board of Raincliffe Woods Community Enterprise
 - Councillor Jenkinson's appointment to replace Councillor Nock as the Council's representative on the PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Joint Committee

- Councillor Barnett's appointment to replace Councillor Siddons as one of the Council's representatives on the Scarborough Municipal Charity.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):

To ensure the good governance of the Council.

HIGHLIGHTED RISKS:

If appointments are not made there is a risk to the governance of the Council

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the regulations made thereunder, require the Council to review regularly the political composition of the Council and to determine the size and constitution of its committees to ensure that the political balance is reflected and maintained in those committees by allocating seats on each committee to each group in direct proportion to each group's overall representation on the Council.
- 1.2 The membership of the Cabinet is determined by the Leader of the Council and does not have to be politically balanced. The Leader has appointed Councillor Heather Phillips to replace Councillor Joe Plant as Portfolio Holder for Transformation with effect from the latter's appointment as Mayor for 2018/19 at the Annual Meeting of the Council.
- 1.3 Since May 2012, the Council has appointed its representatives to outside bodies for the full life of the Council, or until the outside body dissolves or the completion of the project. Accordingly, at its meeting on 18 May 2015, the Council appointed its representatives until May 2019. For any changes to the Council's representation on outside bodies which need to be made between annual Council meetings, the Council has delegated responsibility for this decision to the Leader. Information on these mid-term changes is therefore included in this report.

2. CORPORATE PLAN

- 2.1 The recommendations support the Key Aim in the new Corporate Plan 'to be an efficient and effective council which is financially sustainable for the future'.

3. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

- 3.1 The political composition of the Council is currently as follows:

Conservative	25 seats
Green	2 seats
Independent Group	6 seats
Independent (not forming a group)	4 seats
Labour	13 seats
TOTAL	50 seats

- 3.3 The independent councillors (of no political affiliation) rely on the gifts of the Council's political groups to sit on the Council's non-executive committees. For the purposes of calculating the political composition of the Council's non-executive committees, the political composition of the Council in numerical order is as follows:

Conservative	25 seats	54%
Labour	13 seats	28%
Independent Group	6 seats	13%
Green	2 seats	5%
TOTAL	46 seats	100%

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Nominations from the Group Leaders have been sought in respect of any changes to the membership of the committees they wish to make for 2018/19 including the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair. Where there is competition for Chairs and Vice-Chairs, the Constitution requires a secret ballot.

5. ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 The principles of political balance require that:
- (i) not all the seats on any committee are allocated to the same political group;
 - (ii) the majority of seats on the committee is allocated to a particular group if that group has a majority of seats on the Council;
 - (iii) subject to (i) and (ii) above, that the number of seats allocated to any group on the total of all committees have the same proportion to the proportion on the full Council; and
 - (iv) subject to (i), (ii) and (iii) above, that the number of seats on each committee allocated to each group bears the same proportion to the proportion on the full Council.

Outside bodies

- 5.2 The Council is asked to note the following mid-term changes to the Council's representation on outside bodies approved by the Leader of the Council in 2017/18 and published on the Council's website.

- (i) On 27 September 2017, the Leader determined that Councillor Bill Chatt, Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Housing, replace Councillor Michelle Donohue-Moncrieff as one the Council's representatives on the Board of Yorkshire Coast Homes;
- (ii) On 26 April 2018, the Leader determined that Councillor Mark Vesey replace Councillor Bill Chatt as one of the Council's representatives on the Board of Raincliffe Woods Community Enterprise (following Councillor Chatt's resignation), that Councillor Rob Barnett replace Councillor Steve Siddons as one of the Council's representatives on the Scarborough Municipal Charity (following Councillor Siddons' resignation), and that Councillor Andrew Jenkinson, Portfolio Holder for Leisure replace Councillor John Nock, Portfolio Holder for Legal and Governance on the PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Joint Committee (following a change in executive responsibilities).

6. IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no legal, policy, financial or equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

7. ACTION PLAN

- 7.1 The appointments to committees approved at this meeting will be ratified at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 17 May 2018.



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Risk Matrix

Risk Ref	Date	Risk	Consequences	Mitigation	Current Risk Score	Target Score	Service Unit Manager/ Responsible Officer	Action Plan
1	May 2018	Appointments to the Council's committees are not made according to the political composition of the Council	Council is not being governed according to the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 – legal challenge and disruption	Action outlined in the report	B2	B2	S Harris	As in report

Glossary of Terms

Risk	An event which may prevent the Council achieving its objectives
Consequences	The outcome if the risk materialised
Mitigation	The processes and procedures that are in place to reduce the risk
Current Risk Score	The likelihood and impact score with the current mitigation measures in place
Corporate Objectives	An assessment of the Corporate Objectives that are affected by the risk identified.
Target Risk Score	The likelihood and impact score that the Council is aiming to achieve
Service Unit Manager	The Service Unit or Officer responsible for managing the risk
Action Plan	The proposed actions to be implemented in order to reduce the risk to the target score

Risk Scoring

Impact	5					
	4					
	3					
	2					
	1					
		A	B	C	D	E
	Likelihood					

Likelihood:

- A = Very Low
- B = Not Likely
- C = Likely
- D = Very Likely
- E = Almost Certain

Impact

- 1 = Low
- 2 = Minor
- 3 = Medium
- 4 = Major
- 5 = Disaster