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Decision Summary

Committee:
Date:
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ANNUAL COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY 20 MAY 2026
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Chair
Councillor Karen Allison

Councillors Attended

Councillor Masood Ahmed
Councillor Karen Allison
Councillor Khuram Amjad
Councillor Ammar Anwar
Councillor Bill Armer
Councillor Timothy Bamford
Councillor Tina Bamford
Councillor Jane Barraclough
Councillor David Birch
Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Tanisha Bramwell
Councillor Damian Brook
Councillor Simon Brophy
Councillor Richard Burton
Councillor Robert Butler
Councillor Eric Butterworth
Councillor Tracy Clayton
Councillor Lee Cliff
Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Toby Cooper
Councillor Aziz Daji
Councillor Hanifa Darwan
Councillor Stephan Dransfield
Councillor Simon Duffy
Councillor Luke Fallas
Councillor Gill Floyd
Councillor Graham France
Councillor Charles Greaves

Councillor John Hardie
Councillor Glennis Harrison
Councillor Pip Harvey
Councillor Simon Holbrook
Councillor Michael Howard
Councillor Yusra Hussain
Councillor Abdul Jabar
Councillor Philip James
Councillor Maryam Jawaid
Councillor Zahid Kahut
Councillor Maciej Kapsa
Councillor Akhtar Kasia
Councillor Chris Kennedy
Councillor David Knight
Councillor Susan Lee-Richards
Councillor Matthew Maude
Councillor Susan Maxfield
Councillor Brian Moughtin
Councillor Richard Noon
Councillor James O'Leary
Councillor Khalid Patel
Councillor Andrew Pinnock
Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Martin Price
Councillor David Ridgway
Councillor Ashleigh Robinson
Councillor Julia Roebuck
Councillor Dave Rowan
Councillor Imran Safdar
Councillor Joshua Sheard
Councillor Michael Simmons
Councillor Anthony Smith
Councillor Christine Smith
Councillor Mark Smith
Councillor Richard Smith
Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Craig Wiles
Councillor Sarah Wood
Councillor Alex Vickers
Councillor Habiban Zaman

Apologies

Councillor Elizabeth Smaje

1 To elect the Mayor for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year

To elect the Mayor for the ensuing 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

That Councillor Karen Allison be elected as Mayor for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

2 To appoint a Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year

To appoint the Deputy Mayor for the ensuing 2027/2027 Municipal Year.

That Councillor Lee Cliff be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

4 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council - 11 March 2026

To approve as a correct record and authorise the signing of the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 11 March 2026.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of Ordinary Council held on 11 March 2026 be approved as a correct record.

7 Election of the Leader of Council

To elect the Leader of the Council, in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution.

Item deferred (No Leader was appointed).

8 Appointment of Committees, Boards and Panels

To determine the Committees, Boards and Panels of the Council for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Head of Governance

That approval be given to the establishment of the Committees, Boards and Panels as listed within the report, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

9 Allocation of Seats

To determine, for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year, the allocation of seats on Committees and to any Political Groups formed under the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 (or any substituted regulations).

(Schedule to follow)

It is proposed that arrangements for representation of Political Groups on Overview and Scrutiny Committee should not be in accordance with the requirements of Section 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 but should be as set out in the report to be circulated at this item.

This notice is given in accordance with Section 17 of the 1989 Act and Regulation 20 of the Local Government (Committee and Political Groups) Regulations 1990. Each proposal will require approval with no Members of the Council voting against.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Head of Governance

- 1) That the requirements of Section 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 shall not apply to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee for the ensuing municipal year.
- 2) That the number and proportion of Members of Committees, Boards and Panels be in accordance with the report as set out at Agenda Item 9.

10 Membership of Committees, Boards and Panels

To determine the Membership of Committees, Boards and Panels for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year, in accordance with nominations from Group Business Managers.

(Schedule to follow).

That the memberships of Committees, Boards and Panels, as set out in the circulated report, be approved and that the allocation of any outstanding places on any Committee, Boards and Panels, or any subsequent amendments, be delegated to Group Business Managers.

11 Calendar of Meetings for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year

To determine the date and time of Meetings of Committees, Boards and Panels for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Head of Governance

That the dates and times of Committees, Boards and Panels be in accordance with the scheduled as set out at Agenda Item 11.

12 Appointment of Members to Joint Authorities

To determine the arrangements for the allocation of seats on Joint Authorities for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Head of Governance

- (1) That Council appoint the Leader as Kirklees Council's Elected Member for the West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA), with the Deputy Leader as the WYCA Substitute Member.

- (2) That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with Group Leaders, WYCA's Managing Director and other West Yorkshire Chief Executives, to jointly agree/appoint the 3 additional political balance Members and their substitutes to WYCA, so that the 8 constituent council members taken as a whole reflect the balance of political parties among members of WYCA's constituent councils, so far as reasonably practicable.
- (3) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the Group Business Managers, to nominate members to WYCA Weaver Network Board: the relevant Portfolio Holder for Transport, a substitute, and political balance places if required. That it be noted that the Board will appoint to the Deputy Chair role.
- (4) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the Group Business Managers, to nominate members to WYCA Corporate Governance and Audit Committee: the Chair of Kirklees Corporate Governance and Audit Committee, a substitute, and political balance places if required.
- (5) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the Group Business Managers, to nominate members to WYCA Investment Board: the relevant Portfolio Holder for Economy, a substitute, and political balance places if required. That it be noted that the Board will appoint to the Deputy Chair role.
- (6) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with Group Business Managers, to nominate Members to WYCA Scrutiny Committee: Kirklees Chair of Scrutiny, a substitute, and political balance places if required. That it be noted that the Chair will be appointed by WYCA and that the Deputy Chair will be appointed from the Membership of the Committee.
- (7) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the relevant Group Business Manager, to make any additional/revised nominations to any WYCA Committee or Board, as required after this Council's annual meeting.
- (8) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the relevant Group Business Manager to nominate Members to the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority and note that this must reflect the political balance of Kirklees Council.
- (9) That Council delegate authority to the Service Director – Legal, Governance

and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the relevant Group Business Manager to nominate Members to West Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel in accordance with the requirements of that Panel, which must reflect the political balance across West Yorkshire. That it be noted that these Members will also automatically be members of the Kirklees Communities Partnership Board.

- (10) That Council delegate authority to Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with the Group Business Managers to determine the appointment of Members/Representatives to the remaining Joint Authorities not otherwise set out in this report.
 - (11) That it be noted that the Leader will nominate the relevant Portfolio Holder for membership of the Vision Zero Board.
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13 Appointments to Outside Bodies and Other Committees

To determine the appointment of representatives to other Committees, Outside Bodies etc for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year, except for those to bodies which is exercisable only by the Leader or is delegated by the Council.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Head of Governance

- 1) That Council notes that Group Business Managers will put forward nominations to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer) to fill places or make any adjustments to nominees on outside bodies/other bodies, as appropriate, following Annual Council.
- 2) That those bodies with executive functions be referred to the Leader of the Council to put forward nominations.
- 3) That, in relation to the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation Management Committee, Council agree to waive political balance rules which apply in accordance with Section 17 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (Note: this requires approval with no Member voting against).
- 4) That, Council delegate authority to the Leader, in consultation with Group Business Managers, to nominate one nominee and a substitute to the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO) Management Committee and to nominate a Director to the associated limited company: YPO Procurement Holdings Ltd.
- 5) That authority be delegated to the Service Director - Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with Group Business Managers, to determine which of the two appointed Members on Kirklees Active Leisure will be authorised, for the purposes of Member meetings (distinct from Director meetings), to exercise a vote,

pursuant to Section 323 of the Companies Act 2006.

- 6) That authority be delegated to the Service Director - Legal, Governance and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer), in consultation with Group Business Managers, to nominate a Director to Kirklees Henry Boot Partnership.

14 Appointment of Spokespersons for Joint Committees and External Bodies

To determine the Council's spokespersons nominated to reply to oral questions at Council for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Head of Governance

- 1) That the nomination of spokespersons to reply to oral questions at meetings of Council, on behalf of Kirklees Active Leisure and West Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel, be delegated to Group Business Managers for determination.
- 2) That it be noted that the Member appointed by Council to the West Yorkshire Combined Authority will be the spokesperson for that body and its Committees.
- 3) That it be noted that the spokespersons for the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority and West Yorkshire Joint Services Committee will be notified by those bodies.
- 4) That it be noted that the appointed spokesperson for the West Yorkshire Adoption Joint Committee (One Adoption) will be the substantive representative.

15 Appointment of Chairs of Committees, Boards and Panels

To appoint Chairs of the following Committees, Boards and Panels for the 2026/2027 Municipal Year;

- (a) Appeals Panel
- (b) Corporate Governance and Audit Committee
- (c) District Wide Planning Committee
- (d) Health and Wellbeing Board
- (e) Licensing and Safety Committee
- (f) Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
- (g) Personnel Committee
- (h) Standards Committee
- (i) Strategic Planning Committee
- (j) Statutory Officer Dismissal Committee
- (k) Scrutiny Panel – Childrens
- (l) Scrutiny Panel – Environment and Climate Change
- (m) Scrutiny Panel – Growth and Regeneration

(n) Scrutiny Panel – Health and Adult Social Care

That the appointment of Chairs of Committees and Panels be as set out below;

Appeals Panel – Councillor Bramwell

Corporate Governance and Audit Committee – Councillor Amjad

District Wide Planning Committee – Councillor O’Leary

Licensing and Safety Committee – Councillor Howard

Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee – Councillor Holbrook

Personnel Committee – Councillor Anwar

Standards Committee – Councillor Armer

Strategic Planning Committee – Councillor Amjad

Statutory Officer Dismissal Committee – Councillor Wood

Children’s Scrutiny Panel – Councillor Vickers

Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Panel – Councillor Moughtin

Growth and Regeneration Scrutiny Panel – Councillor T V Bamford

Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel – Councillor Kasia
