

Name of meeting: Council

Date: 11 July 2018

Title of report: Adjustment to Committee Membership/Ratios

Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	No
Key Decision - Is it in the Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports?)	No
The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	No – it is not an executive decision
Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name	Rachel Spencer-Hensall, 2.7.18
Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance IT and Transactional Services?	Not applicable
Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning Support?	Julie Muscroft, 27.6.18
Cabinet member portfolio	Not applicable

Electoral wards affected: Not applicable

Ward councillors consulted: Not applicable

Public or private report: Public

1. **Summary**

To recommend that Council approve the adjustments in the allocation of Committee places, arising from a change in the membership of political groups.

2. **Information required to take a decision**

Following the move of Councillor Gemma Wilson from the Conservative Group to the Liberal Democrat Group on 9 June 2018, the allocation of places on Committees has been recalculated in order to ensure overall proportionality.

Following consultation with the relevant Group Business Managers, the following changes are proposed;

- (i) Appeals Panel will now be constituted on a ratio of 7:3:2:1, reflecting that the Conservative Group have lost one place and the Liberal Democrat Group have gained one place.
- (ii) The membership of Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel will be changed to reflect that Councillor Gemma Wilson joins the Panel, and Councillor Smith leaves the Panel, in accordance with the requirement for the Conservative Group losing one place on Scrutiny Panel representation, to be transferred to the Liberal Democrat Group.

3. **Implications for the Council**

3.1 **Early Intervention and Prevention (EIP)**

Not applicable.

3.2 **Economic Resilience (ER)**

Not applicable.

3.3 **Improving Outcomes for Children**

Not applicable.

3.4 **Reducing demand of services**

Not applicable.

3.5 **Other (eg Legal/Financial or Human Resources)**

Not applicable.

4. **Consultees and their opinions**

Group Business Managers, as set out at paragraph 2.

4. **Next steps**

Subject to the approval of Council, the changes will be implemented.

6. **Officer recommendations and reasons**

That, in order to ensure overall proportionality, Council approve the amended ratios and membership changes as outlined in paragraph 2 above.

7. **Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations**

Not applicable.

8. **Contact officer**

Andrea Woodside, Principal Governance Officer

9. **Background Papers and History of Decisions**

Report is pursuant to the decision of Annual Council on 23 May 2018, Agenda Item 16

10. **Service Director responsible**

Julie Muscroft – Legal, Governance and Commissioning