
APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, PANELS AND BOARDS

To: **Council – 5 December 2013**

By: **Democratic Services Manager**

Classification: **Unrestricted**

Ward: **Not applicable**

Summary: This report informs Council of changes to appointments to Committees.

For Information

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Democratic Services have been contacted by the Labour Group expressing their wish to amend their nominations to the Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

2.0 Nominations of Members to serve on Committees

2.1 Members are reminded that Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 states that where the Council has determined the allocation to different groups of the seats to which the Act applies, it shall be the duty of the authority to give effect to a Group's wishes about who is to be appointed to the seats that they have been allocated.

2.2 The table below shows the current nominations to the Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

Labour		Conservative		Thanet Independent Group		UKIP		Independent Group	
1	Harrison	1	Gideon	1	Worror			1	Driver
2	Campbell	2	I.Gregory						
3	Gibson	3	K.Gregory						
4	Hibbert	4	Hornus						
5	Huxley	5	D.Saunders						
6	Moore	6	M.Tomlinson						
7	Nicholson								
8	Watkins								

2.3 The Labour Group has informed Democratic Services that they wish to replace Councillor Gibson with Councillor Matterface as their representative on the Overview and Scrutiny Panel. This change is reflected in the table below:

Labour		Conservative		Thanet Independent Group		UKIP		Independent Group	
1	Harrison	1	Gideon	1	Worror			1	Driver
2	Campbell	2	I.Gregory						
3	Hibbert	3	K.Gregory						
4	Huxley	4	Hornus						
5	Matterface	5	D.Saunders						
6	Moore	6	M.Tomlinson						
7	Nicholson								
8	Watkins								

3.0 Corporate Implications

3.1 Financial

3.1.1 There are no direct financial implications.

3.2 Legal

3.2.1 Paragraph 1 of Section 16 of Part 1 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 states:

“Where any relevant authority or any committee of a relevant authority have determined the allocation to different political groups of the seats to which section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 applies, it shall be the duty of that authority or committee so to exercise their power to make appointments to that body as to give effect..... to such wishes about who is to be appointed to the seats on that body which are allocated to a particular political group, as are expressed by that group.”.

3.3 Corporate

3.3.1 There are no corporate implications.

3.4 Equalities

3.4.1 Assessing Relevance

3.4.2 There are no specific equity and equality considerations that need to be addressed in this report. Although there are Councillors within the protected groups, the changes being made are as a result of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

3.4.3 Equality Impact Analysis

3.4.4 N/A

4.0 Recommendation

4.1 That Council appoints Councillor Matterface to the Overview and Scrutiny Panel in place of Councillor Gibson.

5.0 Decision Making Process

5.1 Political Groups determine their nominations to Committees, Panels and Boards and Council must give effect to their wishes.

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Annex List

None	
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Corporate Consultation Undertaken

Finance	N/A
Legal	Harvey Patterson, Corporate & Regulatory Services Manager and Monitoring Officer