



**Meeting:** Council  
**Date:** Wednesday 26th May, 2021  
**Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Venue:** Kettering Conference Centre

### **Committee Membership:**

Councillors Allebone, Jenney, Partridge-Underwood, Dalziel, Buckingham, Powell, Tubbs, O'Hara, Pentland, Shacklock, Watt, Griffiths, Colquhoun, Rielly, Hallam, Brown, Howell, Bell, Dearing, Edwards, Brackenbury, Harrison, Harrington, Roberts, Currall, Lawman, Ekins, Marks, Maxwell, McGhee, McGhee, Mercer, Nichol, Pengelly, Carr, Brown, Prentice, Jenney, Lawal, Sims, Smyth, Thurland, Waters, Weatherill, Binley, Brackenbury, Henson, Hakewill, Fedorowycz, Jackson, Pandey, Tye, Anslow, Harrison, Bone, Bunday, Irwin, Levell, Jelley, Howes, Addison, Keane, North, de Capell Brooke, Armour, Rowley, Smithers, Tebbutt, Buckingham, Lawman, Wilkes, Carter, Lee, McEwan, Mercer, Dell, Smith-Haynes and Ward

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## Annual Council 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Political Group Leadership</b>	
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### List of Appendices

NONE

#### **1. Purpose of Report**

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- 1.1. To inform Annual Council regarding the political group leadership of North Northamptonshire Council 2021/2022.

#### **2. Executive Summary**

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- 2.1 Details relating to the political group leadership of the Council, following notification of postholders by the three recognised political groups.

#### **3. Recommendations**

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- 3.1 It is recommended that Annual Council:

- a) Note the leadership arrangements of the Conservative Group, the Labour Group and the Green Alliance Group for 2021/22 as detailed within the report.

- 3.2 *Reason for Recommendations –*

- *To inform the Council, press and public of the leadership arrangements of the recognised political groups.*

#### **4. Report Background**

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4.1 Following the election on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021, the various political groups represented on the Council have held their respective Annual General Meetings. Postholders for each group have been appointed.

4.2 The political representation on the Council is:-

	<b>Council</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Green Alliance</b>
<b>Members</b>	78	60	14	4

#### **5. Issues and Choices**

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5.1 Following communication received from the respective political groups, Council has been informed of the following appointments: -

Leader of the Conservative Group	<i>Councillor Jason Smithers</i>
Deputy Leader of the Conservative Group	<i>Councillor Helen Howell</i>
Leader of the Labour Group	<i>Councillor Jean Addison</i>
Deputy Leader of the Labour Group	<i>Councillor John McGhee</i>
Leader of the Green Alliance Group	<i>Councillor Emily Fedorowycz</i>
Deputy Leader of the Green Alliance Group	<i>Councillor Dez Dell</i>

#### **6. Implications (including financial implications)**

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##### **6.1 Resources and Financial**

6.1.1 Where applicable, postholders may be eligible for a Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA) under the Council's approved Members' Allowance Scheme.

##### **6.2 Legal**

6.2.1 A group is required to have at least two Members in order to be constituted as a political group.

6.2.2 Any in-year changes to a group's leadership or formation should be notified to the Council, through the Monitoring Officer, as soon as practicable.

##### **6.3 Risk**

6.3.1 Failure of the groups to appoint appropriate postholders would hamper discussions between the Council and groups in relation to the operation of the decision-making process.

#### **6.4 Consultation**

6.4.1 Information has been provided by the recognised political groups.

#### **6.5 Consideration by Scrutiny**

6.5.1 None applicable to this report.

#### **6.6 Climate Impact**

6.6.1 None applicable to this report.

#### **6.7 Community Impact**

6.7.1 None applicable to this report.

### **7. Background Papers**

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7.1 None.

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## Annual Council 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Report Title	Committee Membership and Chair/Vice Chair of Committees	
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### List of Appendices

- Appendix A – Proportionality Allocations (TO FOLLOW)
- Appendix B - Committee membership nominations received from the recognised political groups (TO FOLLOW)
- Appendix C – Copy of Chair/Vice Chair nominations received (TO FOLLOW)

### Purpose of Report

1. This report confirms the methodology proposed to be applied to determine the political balance of the authority. It also proposes the apportionment of seats on committees in accordance with the application of the calculations.
2. The law says that the Council should determine the arrangements for committees of the Council. In anticipation of Council agreeing the apportionment of seats to political parties, the Council has invited nominations from the political groups to the proposed structure. Approval is therefore sought for the allocation of seats to political groups, and the consequent nomination of members to those seats by the political groups.

## **Executive Summary**

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3. Following the election on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 78 Members were elected to the newly formed unitary authority for the first time. The report sets out the political balance of the council, how many voting seats are available and sets out political groups nominations for allocation to those seats.

## **Recommendations**

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4. It is recommended that Council:
  - a) Approves the allocation of seats for the committees set out in Appendix A to the recognised political groups in accordance with the proportionality provisions and the Constitution;
  - b) Confirms the appointments proposed by the recognised political groups to the governance structure (as detailed in Appendix B);
  - c) Receive nominations for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair (as detailed in Appendix C) and make appointments as required;
  - d) Authorises the Director of Legal and Democratic Services, in consultation with the relevant group leader, to determine any required adjustment to individual committee allocations in accordance with sections 15 and 16 of the 1989 Act.
  - e) Approve a Special Responsibility Allowance of £13,500 be allocated to the Finance and Resources Scrutiny Chair in accordance with the Members Allowance Scheme
  - f) Notes that the Chair of Sub Committees shall be appointed at each meeting by those members who are appointed to the Sub Committee

### *Reason for Recommendation*

5. *To ensure that the political balance of the Council following the election on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021 are applied to the governance structure of the Council, under law and approved guidelines contained in the Council Constitution.*

## **Report Background**

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6. The Council must allocate seats on committees and sub-committees in accordance with the provisions set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (“the 1989 Act”). Section 15(5) of the 1989 Act requires the Council to allocate seats on committees and sub-committees to political groups to give effect, as far as possible, to the following principles:
  - a) not all the seats on the committee or sub-committee are allocated to the same political group (if the rules apply to that body);
  - b) that the political group having a majority of seats on the Council should have a majority on each committee and sub-committee;
  - c) that, subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, the number of seats on the Council’s committees and sub-committees allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total number of such



committee seats as the number of members of that group bears to the membership of the full Council; and

- d) that, subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, seats are allocated on each committee and sub-committee in the same ratio as exists on the authority
7. Section 16 of the 1989 Act requires the Council to give effect to the allocation of seats determined as set out above in accordance with the wishes of the political groups.
  8. The Council can only depart from the principles set out above by passing a resolution with no member voting against the resolution.
  9. Council will note that the political balance provisions only apply directly to committees and sub-committees and do not apply to the following:
    - a) The Executive;
    - b) Bodies established by the Executive (e.g., Executive Advisory Panels, although Council has agreed that they may be applied);
    - c) Health and Wellbeing Board;
    - d) Joint bodies established by the Executive.
  10. This report reflects the principles detailed above and applies it to the arrangements of the Council. Council's approval of the proposed allocation and distribution of seats, applying the appropriate principles as set out in law, is sought.

## **Issues and Choices**

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11. Following the election on 6 May 2021 the political composition of the Council is as follows, with figures being rounded up or down as appropriate:-

	<b>Council</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Independent</b>
<b>Members</b>	78	60	14	3	1
<b>%</b>	100	77 (76.92)	18 (17.94)	4 (3.84)	1 (1.28)

12. Appendix A sets out the breakdown of the allocation of seats to the political groups in accordance with the above percentages, taking account of the law and the provisions of the Constitution.
13. Council has already determined that the membership of the four Area Planning Committees (each representing a former district council area) should reflect the political balance of each local area only.
14. It should be noted that some appointments are made by the Leader of the Council and cannot therefore be made by full Council.
15. The recognised political groups have been invited to submit their nominations for the committee seats allocated to them. Details of the nominations received

are detailed in Appendix B. Those members who do not form a group are not entitled to a seat unless a unanimous decision was made by Council to allocate.

16. In addition to the allocation of seats, Council is required to determine the appointment of Chairs and Vice Chairs to some committees. The roles to be appointed are set out in Appendix C to this report.

## **Implications**

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### **Resources (including financial)**

17. The Council's approved Member Allowance Scheme is responsible for determining the post for which a Special Responsibility Allowances (SRA) is payable, and prescribes the level of allowance to be paid.

The Independent Remuneration Panel allocated £40,000 to the Scrutiny function. It is proposed that £13,500 is allocated to the Finance and Resources Scrutiny Chair as an appropriate SRA.

### **Legal**

18. The Council must allocate seats on committees and other prescribed bodies to give effect to political balance rules set out in Sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

### **Risk**

19. Council is required to determine the arrangements for committees and sub-committees, and to approve the allocation of seats with adherence to the law and approved local choices detailed within the approved Constitution. Failure to comply with such statutory requirement may leave the Council open to successful legal challenge and disrupt the decision-making process.

### **Consultation**

20. The recognised political groups have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

### **Consideration by Scrutiny**

21. Not applicable to this report.

### **Climate Impact**

22. Not applicable to this report.

### **Community Impact**

23. Not applicable to this report.

### **Background Papers**

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24. The following documents have been utilised in the preparation of this report:
- a) North Northamptonshire Council Constitution
  - b) Local Government and Housing Act 1989
  - c) Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990

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	CONS	LAB	GREEN
	60	14	4
	76.92	17.94	5.12

**TOTAL**  
78

**No Political Balance Req.**

Executive	10	10	0	0
Health & Wellbeing Board	3	3	0	0
Shared Services JC	3	3	0	0
Children's Trust JC	3	3	0	0
	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Executive Advisory Panels**

HW&VP	6	5	1	0
EAP CCE&G	6	4	1	1
EAP ES&E	6	5	1	0
EAP SDP&C	6	5	1	0
EAP PP	6	5	1	0
	<b>30</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
		80	16.66	3.33

**Committees**

Scrutiny Commission	13	10	2	1
Finance & Resources Scrutiny	13	10	2	1
Licensing & Appeals	13	10	2	1
Audit & Governance	10	7	3	0
Democracy & Standards	7	5	1	1
Employment Committee	13	10	2	1
Strategic Planning	13	10	3	0
	<b>82</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>
		75.60	18.29	6.09

**Area Committees (Local political balance only)**

Area Planning Corby	9	2	7	0
Area Planning Kettering	9	8	0	1
Area Planning Thrapston	9	9	0	0
Area Planning Wellingborough	9	9	0	0
	<b>36</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>

Please note that the Council has received notification of the creation of three recognised political groups – the Conservative Group (60 members), the Labour Group (14 members) and the Green Alliance Group (4 members).

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### Council Appointments

Council must appoint the number of seats on Committees to the political groups, although individuals who are to sit on committees can be agreed outside of the meeting by the Monitoring Officer

### SCRUTINY COMMISSION

Established under the Local Government Act 2000 to review and scrutinise, make reports and recommendations. Politically balanced membership with a total of 13 members.

Full Member	Substitute Member List
1. Wendy Brackenbury (C)	
2. Kevin Watt (C)	
3. Lee Wilkes (C)	
4. Philip Irwin (C)	
5. Elliot Prentice (C)	
6. Matt Binley (C)	
7. Mark Dearing (C)	
8. John Currall (C)	
9. Robin Carter (C)	
10. Geoff Shacklock (C)	
11. Simon Rielly (L)	Lyn Buckingham
12. John McGhee (L)	Peter McEwan
13. Jim Hakewill (GA)	Sarah Tubbs

### FINANCE AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Established under the Local Government Act 2000 to review and scrutinise, make reports and recommendations. Politically balanced membership with a total of 13 members.

Full Member	Substitute Member List
1. Richard Levell (C)	Jan O'Hara
2. Scott Brown (C)	Clive Hallam
3. Malcolm Ward (C)	Matt Binley
4. Larry Henson (C)	David Sims
5. King Lawal (C)	
6. David Brackenbury (C)	
7. Ian Jelley (C)	
8. Ken Harrington (C)	
9. David Jenney (C)	
10. CONSERVATIVE SEAT TBC	
11. Valerie Anslow (L)	William Colquhoun
12. Mark Pengelly (L)	Anne Lee
13. Jim Hakewill (GA)	Emily Fedorowycz

**LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**

Established under the Licensing Act 2003 to discharge the Authorities licensing functions. Politically balanced membership with a total of 13 members. Sub Committees to be appointed by the Committee.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Jonathan Ekins (C)	Cedwien Brown
2. Jennie Bone (C)	Elliot Prentice
3. Clive Hallam (C)	Ian Jelley
4. Barbara Jenney (C)	Scott Brown
5. Geoff Shacklock (C)	
6. John Currall (C)	
7. Dorothy Maxwell (C)	
8. Lee Wilkes (C)	
9. Anup Pandey (C)	
10. Lora Lawman (C)	
11. Peter McEwan (L)	Alison Dalziel
12. Anne Lee (L)	Ross Armour
13. Sarah Tubbs (GA)	Jim Hakewill

**STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities planning functions. Politically balanced membership with a total of 13 members.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. David Brackenbury (C)	Bert Jackson
2. Paul Bell (C)	Robin Carter
3. Roger Powell (C)	Jan O'Hara
4. Malcolm Waters (C)	Elliot Prentice
5. Mark Dearing (C)	Martin Griffiths
6. Joseph Smyth (C)	
7. Tim Allebone (C)	
8. Paul Marks (C)	
9. Mike Tebbutt (C)	
10. Kevin Thurland (C)	
11. Alison Dalziel (L)	Matt Keane
12. Ross Armour (L)	Zoe McGhee
13. Simon Rielly (L)	Valerie Anslow



**DEMOCRACY AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities planning functions. Politically balanced membership with a total of 11 members (with four town and parish representatives)

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Lora Lawman (C)	Philip Irwin
2. Macaulay Nichol (C)	Jonathan Ekins
3. Gill Mercer (C)	Paul Bell
4. Michael Tye (C)	Kevin Watt
5. Kirk Harrison (C)	
6. Emily Fedorowycz (GA)	Dez Dell
7. Lyn Buckingham (L)	Leanne Buckingham
8. TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE
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10. PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE
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**AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities audit functions. Politically balanced membership with a total of 13 members (with three independent members)

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Kirk Harrison (C)	Paul Marks
2. Richard Levell (C)	John Currall
3. Andrew Weatherill (C)	Bert Jackson
4. Matt Binley (C)	Annabel de Capell Brooke
5. Ian Jelley (C)	Lee Wilkes
6. Russell Roberts (C)	
7. Kevin Watt (C)	
8. Mark Pengelly (L)	Matt Keane
9. Zoe McGhee (L)	Jean Addison
10. Peter McEwan (L)	Valerie Anslow
11. INDEPENDENT PERSON	N/A
12. INDEPENDENT PERSON	N/A
13. INDEPENDENT PERSON	N/A

**EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge those employment functions which are not exercised by Officers. Politically balanced membership with a total of 13 members.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Annabel de Capell Brooke (C)	Ian Jelley
2. Barbara Jenney (C)	Mark Rowley
3. Russell Roberts (C)	Ken Harrington
4. Jan O'Hara (C)	Scott Brown
5. Tom Partridge-Underwood (C)	
6. Jonathan Ekins (C)	
7. Lora Lawman (C)	
8. Matt Binley (C)	
9. Jon-Paul Carr (C)	
10. Lee Wilkes (C)	
11. William Colquhoun (L)	Mark Pengelly
12. Matt Keane (L)	Peter McEwan
13. Emily Fedorowycz (GA)	Dez Dell

**AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE (CORBY)**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities planning functions. Exempt from political balance requirements but reflect the political makeup of the relevant area. Membership of 9.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Lyn Buckingham (L)	Peter McEwan / Simon Rielly
2. William Colquhoun (L)	
3. Alison Dalziel (L)	
4. Jean Addison (L)	
5. Zoe McGhee (L)	
6. Ross Armour (L)	
7. Leanne Buckingham (L)	
8. Kevin Watt (C)	
9. David Sims (C)	

**AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE (KETTERING)**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities planning functions. Exempt from political balance requirements but reflect the political makeup of the relevant area. Membership of 9.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Mark Dearing (C)	Larry Henson
2. Cedwien Brown (C)	Joseph Smyth
3. Mark Rowley (C)	
4. Robin Carter (C)	
5. Mike Tebbutt (C)	
6. Elliot Prentice (C)	
7. Paul Marks (C)	
8. Kevin Thurland (C)	
9. Dez Dell (GA)	Jim Hakewill / Sarah Tubbs

**AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE (THRAPSTON)**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities planning functions. Exempt from political balance requirements but reflect the political makeup of the relevant area. Membership of 9.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Jennie Bone (C)	Wendy Brackenbury
2. Gill Mercer (C)	
3. Barbara Jenney (C)	
4. Dorothy Maxwell (C)	
5. Lee Wilkes (C)	
6. Geoff Shacklock (C)	
7. Roger Powell (C)	
8. Kirk Harrison (C)	
9. Annabel de Capell Brooke (C)	

**AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE (WELLINGBOROUGH)**

Established under the Local Government Act 1972 to discharge the Authorities planning functions. Exempt from political balance requirements but reflect the political makeup of the relevant area. Membership of 9.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Clive Hallam (C)	Jon-Paul Carr
2. Malcolm Waters (C)	
3. King Lawal (C)	
4. Lora Lawman (C)	
5. Tom Partridge-Underwood (C)	
6. Malcolm Ward (C)	
7. Jonathan Ekins (C)	
8. Ken Harrington (C)	
9. Matt Binley (C)	

**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL**

The Northamptonshire Police, Fire & Crime Panel (NPF&CP) was established in November 2012 under the Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011 to scrutinise the Northamptonshire Police & Crime Commissioner, whose remit was subsequently extended to become the Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner from January 2019. The Panel is a joint committee between the two Unitary Authorities in the Northamptonshire Police area and consists of 5 NNC councillor members, 5 WNC councillor members, and 3 independent lay co-opted members. The councillor membership of the Panel when taken together is required, as far as is reasonably practical, to represent all parts of Northamptonshire; to represent the proportion of councillors from each political party across the county; and to have the skills, knowledge and experience necessary for the NPF&CP to discharge its functions effectively.

<b>Full Member</b>
1. Gill Mercer (C)
2. Russell Roberts (C)
3. Dorothy Maxwell (C)
4. Jon-Paul Carr (C)
5. Zoe McGhee (L)

**STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)**

The Council shall appoint four Members that represent the political balance of the Local Authority to a maximum of four representatives to SACRE. West Northamptonshire also appoint 4 members.

<b>Full Member</b>
1. Chris Smith-Haynes (C)
2. Tom Partridge-Underwood (C)
3. CONSERVATIVE SEAT
4. Lyn Buckingham (L)

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

In accordance with the relevant statutory provisions, appointments to the Board are not distributed according to political balance requirements. Council is required to appoint at least one councillor nominated by the Leader of the Local Authority.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Jon-Paul Carr (C)	David Jenney
2. Macaulay Nichol (C)	Kirk Harrison
3. Director of Adult Services	
4. Director of Children's Services	
5. Director of Public Health	
6. Local Healthwatch Organisation	
7. Clinical Commissioning Group	

**Executive Appointments**

Will be confirmed by the Leader of the Council and/or Executive after the Annual Meeting

**EXECUTIVE ADVISORY PANEL –  
HEATH, WELLBEING AND VULNERABLE PEOPLE**

1. Executive Member (Chair)	
2. Christina Smith-Haynes (C)	
3. Ken Harrington (C)	
4. King Lawal (C)	
5. Russell Roberts (C)	
6. Geoff Shacklock (C)	
7. John McGhee (L)	

**EXECUTIVE ADVISORY PANEL –  
CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENT AND GROWTH**

1. Executive Member (Chair)	
2. Jennie Bone (C)	
3. Tim Allebone (C)	
4. Jan O’Hara (C)	
5. Elliot Prentice (C)	
6. Dez Dell (GA)	
7. Anne Lee (L)	

**EXECUTIVE ADVISORY PANEL –  
EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT**

1. Executive Member (Chair)	
2. Philip Irwin (C)	
3. Dorothy Maxwell (C)	
4. Wendy Brackenbury (C)	
5. Annabel de Capell Brooke (C)	
6. Anup Pandey (C)	
7. Leanne Buckingham (L)	

**EXECUTIVE ADVISORY PANEL –  
SERVICE DELIVERY, PERFORMANCE AND CUSTOMERS**

1. Executive Member (Chair)	
2. Richard Levell (C)	
3. Ian Jelley (C)	
4. Kirk Harrison (C)	
5. Annabel de Capell Brooke (C)	
6. Bert Jackson (C)	
7. Jean Addison (L)	

**EXECUTIVE ADVISORY PANEL –  
PLANNING POLICY**

1. Executive Member (Chair)	
2. Mark Dearing (C)	
3. David Jenney (C)	
4. Barbara Jenney (C)	
5. Kevin Thurland (C)	
6. David Brackenbury (C)	
7. Valerie Anslow (L)	

**SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE**

Both of the two Northamptonshire Unitary Councils shall each appoint 3 Members (being Executive members of that Council) as its nominated Members of the Shared Services Joint Committee (Between West Northamptonshire and North Northamptonshire). Membership of this Joint Committee is solely executive in nature and therefore Executive will appoint its members to the Committee

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. TBC	
2. TBC	
3. TBC	

**CHILDREN'S TRUST JOINT COMMITTEE**

Both of the two Northamptonshire Unitary Councils shall each appoint 3 Members (being Executive members of that Council) as its nominated Members of the Shared Services Joint Committee (Between West Northamptonshire and North Northamptonshire). Membership of this Joint Committee is solely executive in nature and therefore Executive will appoint its members to the Committee

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Leader of the Council	
2. Executive Member (Children's Services)	
3. TBC	

**PATROL ADJUDICATION JOINT COMMITTEE**

Both of the two Northamptonshire Unitary Councils shall each appoint one Member each as its nominated Member to the PATROL Adjudication Joint Committee. Membership of this joint Committee is solely executive in nature and therefore Executive will appoint its members to the Committee.

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Relevant Portfolio Holder	

**PENSIONS COMMITTEE**

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. Lloyd Bunday (C)	
2. Graham Lawman (C)	

**LOCAL PENSION BOARD**

<b>Full Member</b>	<b>Substitute Member List</b>
1. TBC (C)	

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	<b>Chair Nomination(s)</b>	<b>Vice Chair Nomination(s)</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Executive	Leader of the Council	Deputy Leader of the Council	Determined by separate Council resolution
Scrutiny Commission	Councillor Wendy Brackenbury	Councillor Kevin Watt	
Finance and Resources Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Mark Pengelly	Councillor Richard Levell	
Strategic Planning Committee	Councillor David Brackenbury	Councillor Paul Bell	
Democracy and Standards Committee	Councillor Lora Lawman	Councillor Macaulay Nichol	
Audit and Governance Committee	Councillor Andrew Weatherill	Councillor Kirk Harrison	
Licensing and Appeals Committee	Councillor Jonathan Ekins	Councillor Jennie Bone	
Employment Committee	Councillor Annabel de Capell Brooke	Councillor Barbara Jenney	
Area Planning Committee Corby	Councillor Kevin Watt	Councillor David Sims	
Area Planning Committee Kettering	Councillor Mark Dearing	Councillor Cedwien Brown	
Area Planning Committee Thrapston	Councillor Jennie Bone	Councillor Gill Mercer	
Area Planning Committee Wellingborough	Councillor Clive Hallam	Councillor Malcolm Waters	
Health and Wellbeing Board	Councillor Jon-Paul Carr	Councillor Macaulay Nichol	

**APPENDIX C**

Shared Services Joint Committee	TBC	TBC	Executive Members only with WNC
Children's Trust Committee	TBC	TBC	Executive Members only with WNC
Police and Crime Panel	TBC	TBC	Chairing arrangements to be discussed with WNC
SACRE	TBC	TBC	Chairing arrangements to be discussed with WNC

## Annual Council 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Appointments to Outside Bodies and Working Groups</b>	
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### List of Appendices

Appendix A - Outside Bodies (to follow)

#### **1. Purpose of Report**

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- 1.1. This report seeks approval of appointments to key strategic outside bodies and seeks approval of a review into all other outside bodies for appointment at the following council meeting.

#### **2. Executive Summary**

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- 2.1 North Northamptonshire Council will make appointments to outside bodies. Whilst some key strategic outside bodies are able to be appointed to, members are invited to consider a review of outside bodies which were previously appointed to by predecessor councils prior to appointment. This report sets out options for determining future appointments and an outline of the proposed review process.

#### **3. Recommendations**

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That Council;

- 3.1. Approves appointments to outside bodies as detailed in Appendix A
- 3.2. Notes that a review will be undertaken as detailed in paragraph 5.4 and will be considered by Council at its next meeting

## **4. Report Background**

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- 4.1 All predecessor authorities made appointments to outside bodies for a range of reasons. Appointments may have been made, for example, for strategic reasons, to influence a body, or to represent the views of the electorate at ward level. In a national context, appointments demonstrate partnership working and engagement with the local community. Nominees are usually members but may also include officers.

## **5. Issues and Choices**

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- 5.1 It is recommended that the appointments at Appendix A should be appointed to at the current time as they are key strategic appointments
- 5.2 In relation to other appointments, there are a vast number of outside bodies which have been collated and a decision needs to be made as to which bodies should be appointed to by the new council.

### **Option One**

- 5.3 The council could continue to appoint to the outside bodies which existed within the predecessor councils. In view of the number of appointments against the overall reduction in the number of councillors from across North Northamptonshire this may not be the preferred option.

### **Option Two**

- 5.4 The council could undertake a review of outside bodies based upon a structured criteria following which a report would be presented to the next council meeting. Following a structured process would ensure that the council can make an informed decision about which outside bodies it wishes to appoint to, ensure that proper governance arrangements are in place and understand how the council is able to properly support representatives in their roles. If members were minded to undertake a review it is proposed that the following criteria is used;

- How does the outside body work support the councils corporate objectives;
- Is there any duplication with another outside body
- What is the role of each representative;
- What are the representatives legal obligations;
- What are the expectations of the council in respect of its representatives and how will they be accountable to the council
- What are the governance arrangements for joining/resigning as a representative
- How appointments should be made
- How is relevant guidance issued to representatives on roles and responsibilities, allowances, insurance and indemnities, code of conduct and confidentiality

- 5.5 Option Two is the preferred option to enable a detailed review to be undertaken and to allow members to make an informed decision.

## **6. Implications (including financial implications)**

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### **6.1 Resources and Financial**

6.1.1 There are no resource implications arising from the recommendations

### **6.2 Legal**

6.2.1 The appointment of representatives to outside bodies can have implications for appointees, particularly those appointed as trustees or company directors. It is essential that members are made aware of their roles within outside bodies and their legal responsibilities.

### **6.3 Risk**

6.3.1 There was a large number of appointments to outside bodies spread across the predecessor authorities. There is a risk that without a review, and a structured approach to appointments and exits the new authority will be unable to support them. unless steps are taken to rationalise and prioritise the approach taken.

6.3.2 Failure to properly support members and officers appointed to outside bodies may leave them unclear as to their roles and responsibilities and diminish the potential benefits to the new authority which may be derived from effective partnership working.

### **6.4 Consultation**

6.4.1 No consultation is required in relation to this decision.

### **6.5 Consideration by Scrutiny**

6.5.1 None applicable to this report.

### **6.6 Climate Impact**

6.6.1 None applicable to this report.

### **6.7 Community Impact**

6.7.1 None applicable to this report.

## **7 Background Papers**

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None.

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**NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL 2021/22  
POLITICAL GROUP NOMINATIONS**

**Outside Bodies Nominations**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The LGA General Assembly meets twice a year, and four representatives may be appointed. Substitutes are permitted.

	<b>Name</b>
LGA Representative	Leader of the Council
LGA Representative	Portfolio Holder to be nominated by the Leader
LGA Representative	Portfolio Holder to be nominated by the Leader
LGA Representative	Portfolio Holder to be nominated by the Leader

**EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS**

East Midlands Councils will represent the interests of all Local Authorities in membership within the region, acting as a representative and influencing body. It will work to promote the social, economic and environmental quality of life for all people of East Midlands and will act as the consultative form to support and advise where appropriate the Executive Board in delivering its role and responsibilities. The Leader of North Northamptonshire Council is automatically invited to join the Executive Board which is the strategic decision-making body on issues of interest and relevance to Local Services at the regional level. Expressions of interest for other boards which are allocated on the basis of the political balance across the 46 Councils of the East Midlands and related correspondence will be sent to Group Leaders to submit.

	<b>Name</b>
Executive Board Representative	Leader of the Council

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