

# **COUNCIL**

## **REPORT OF THE HEAD OF CORPORATE STRATEGY AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES - MRS.K. JONES**

**15<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

### **SECTION A – MATTER FOR DECISION**

**WARDS AFFECTED: ALL**

### **MODERNISING THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

#### **Purpose of Report**

To agree the Political Composition and Membership of the Planning Committee.

#### **Background**

As a result of the decision to be taken in relation to changes to the determination of Planning applications reported earlier by the Head of Planning and more particularly the proposed changes to the size of the Planning Committee, it will be necessary to re constitute the Planning Committee on the basis of 12 Members.

In line with the political proportionality rules this will result in the following allocations:-

- Nine Members of the Labour Group
- Two Members in the Plaid Cymru Group
- One Member in the Independent Democrats Group

A supplementary report will be circulated at the meeting outlining the proposed membership in line with the wishes of the relevant political groups.

**Decision:**

That the above proposals in relation to the Constitution of the Planning Committee be approved, with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2014

**Reasons for Proposed Decision**

To meet statutory requirements.

**List of Background Papers**

Positive Planning – Proposals to Reform the Planning System in Wales

Study into the Operation of planning Committees in Wales – Fortismere Associates with Arup.

Planning (Wales) Bill, as introduced

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