

**NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
CYNGOR BWRDEISTREF SIROL CASTELL-NEDD PORT TALBOT**

COUNCIL

22nd December 2021

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC
SERVICES - Mr. Craig Griffiths.**

SECTION A – MATTER FOR DECISION

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

**CHANGES TO POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY AND COMMITTEE
MEMBERSHIP**

Purpose of the Report

To authorise changes to the allocation of seats on council committees to the political groups.

Summary

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services has received notification that Cllr C James intends to sit as a Member of the Independent Group.

Consequently, changes are needed to the allocation of seats between political groups (as now shown in Appendix 1) and to the membership of certain committees.

Group Leaders have notified the Head of Legal and Democratic Services of changes that they propose should be made to the membership of committees specified below:

Labour Group Nominations

Cllr R Taylor be removed as a member of the Planning Committee

Cllr S M Penry be removed as a member of the Cabinet Scrutiny Committee.

Cllr R Taylor be appointed to the Registration and Licensing Committee and Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee (instead of Cllr C James)

Independent Group Nominations

Cllr C James be appointed to the Planning Committee and Cabinet Scrutiny Committees.

Financial Impact

There are no financial impacts.

Integrated Impact Assessment

There is no requirement to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment as the issues within the report relate to constitutional matters only.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce Impacts.

Legal Powers

Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1989/42/contents>

Risk Management

There are no risk management issues that require attention.

Consultation

There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendations

It is recommended that Council approves:-

1. The proportional allocation of seats to the political groups as contained in Appendix 1

2. The changes to the membership of committees as contained in this report.

Reason for Proposed Decisions:

To update the Council's membership arrangements.

Implementation of Decisions

The decisions are for immediate implementation.

List of Background Papers

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council Constitution.

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