

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

COUNCIL

2nd February 2022

**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 A McGrath 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

That Cllr Mark Protheroe is removed as a member of the Education Skills and Culture Scrutiny Committee, the Registration and

Licensing Committee and the Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee.

That Cllr Dennis Keogh is removed as a member of the Leisure and Culture Scrutiny Sub Committee.

That Cllr A McGrath is removed as a member of the Streetscene and Engineering Scrutiny Committee.

That Cllr M Protheroe be appointed a member of the Streetscene and Engineering Scrutiny Committee.

Independent Group Nominations

That Cllr A McGrath be appointed as a member of the Education Skills and Culture Scrutiny Committee, the Leisure and Culture Scrutiny Sub Committee, the Registration and Licensing Committee and the Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee.

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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