

# COUNCIL

## 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON COUNCIL ADVISORY PANELS AND OUTSIDE BODIES SUBJECT TO POLITICAL BALANCE REQUIREMENTS

REVIEW FOLLOWING RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR D.C. EVANS FROM THE LABOUR GROUP AND NOTICE OF WISH TO JOIN THE PLAID CYMRU GROUP

#### RECOMMENDATIONS/KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

That as a result of changes to the overall political composition of the Council,

- 1) the allocation of seats on the Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Panel (3) be amended as follows:-

Plaid Cymru (2) Labour (1)

- 2) the allocation of seats on the Council's Pay Policy Advisory Panel (6) be amended as follows:-

Plaid Cymru (3) Labour (1) Independent (1) New Independent (1)

- 3) As a result of recommendations 1 and 2 above, to approve the membership changes as detailed within the report/reported at the meeting.

- 4) To note that there are no political balance changes required to the membership and allocation of seats for the:

Brecon Beacons National Park Authority, Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority and the Constitutional Review Working Group.

#### REASONS:

Councillor D.C. Evans has resigned from the Labour Group and joined the Plaid Cymru Group. Under section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Council is required to undertake a review of the arrangements for the allocation of seats to political groups.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee Consulted	N/A
Exec Board Decision Required	NO
Council Decision Required	YES

Executive Board Portfolio Holder: Cllr Emlyn Dole (Leader)

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The Chief Executive received notice from Councillor Colin Evans that he had resigned from the Labour Group on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2019, subsequently Cllr Evans joined the Plaid Cymru Group on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

As a result of revised political balance calculations:-

- the Labour Group will need to relinquish a seat on the Council's Pay Policy Advisory Panel to the New Independent Group and,
- the Independent Group will need to relinquish a seat on the Dyfed Powys Police & Crime Panel to the Plaid Cymru Group.

Following discussion with the Groups: -

- The Independent Group has relinquished the seat held by Councillor Jim Jones on the Dyfed Powys Police & Crime Panel. The Plaid Cymru Group will put forward their nomination for this seat at the meeting.
- The Labour Group has relinquished the seat held by Councillor John Prosser on the Council's Pay Policy Advisory Panel and the New Independent Group has nominated Councillor Jeff Edmunds to take this seat.

There are no changes required to any other outside bodies/Council advisory Panels.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO

## IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: Linda Rees Jones, Head of Administration & Law

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
<b>NONE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>

### Legal

Appointments to the Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Panel are set out in Para 31 of Part 4, Schedule 6, Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011 which contains a requirement that when considering panel membership a 'balanced appointment' objective is met (as far as is reasonably practicable).

Under the provisions of the Localism Act 2011, all local authorities are required to approve a Pay Policy Statement for all of their employees by the 31<sup>st</sup> March each year. The Council has established a politically balanced Pay Policy Advisory Panel to consider the Council's Pay Policy.'

## CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed: Linda Rees Jones, Head of Administration & Law

1. **Scrutiny Committee** - Not applicable
2. **Local Member(s)** - Not applicable
3. **Community / Town Council** - Not applicable
4. **Relevant Partners** - Not applicable
5. **Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations** - Not applicable

### Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011		<a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/13/contents/enacted">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/13/contents/enacted</a>
The Police and Crime Panels (Nominations, Appointments and Notifications) Regulations 2012		<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/1433/pdfs/uksi_20121433_en.pdf">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/1433/pdfs/uksi_20121433_en.pdf</a>
Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 6th March 2013 – Establishment of PPAP		<a href="http://online.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/agenda/s/eng/COCO20130306/MINUTES.HTM">http://online.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/agenda/s/eng/COCO20130306/MINUTES.HTM</a>