## COUNTY COUNCIL 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022

# COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL'S SCRUTINY, REGULATORY AND OTHER COMMITTEES AND THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE UPON THEM

REVIEW FOLLOWING THE DECISION OF COUNCILLORS SHAREN DAVIES, JASON HART AND LOUVAIN ROBERTS TO JOIN THE INDEPENDENT GROUP.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS/KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

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

- 1. To adopt the changes to the number of seats held by the Independent Group and Unaffiliated Members as detailed within Tables 1, and 3 of the report.
- 2. In accordance with Corporate Procedure Rule CPR 2 (2) (n) to approve changes in Committee membership as a result of recommendation 1 above (as detailed within the report).
- 3. To note that there are no changes to the number of seats held by the Plaid Cymru and Labour Groups.
- 4. In accordance with Part 6 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 to note that the existing arrangements for the allocation of the 5 Scrutiny Chairs remains unchanged.

#### **REASONS:**

Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, requires a review of the arrangements for the allocation of seats to political groups.

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

Cabinet Member Portfolio Holder - Cllr Darren Price (Leader)

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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In accordance with the Constitution, the Council is required to appoint members to serve on its committees and to allocate those seats so that they reflect the overall political composition of the Council.

The Chief Executive has received notice from Councillors Sharen Davies, Jason Hart and Louvain Roberts that they had joined the Independent Group, and a request has been made to review arrangements.

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) regulations 1990, as amended, and the Local Government Wales (measure) 2011, the Council is required to appoint members to serve on its committees and to allocate those seats so that they reflect the overall political composition of the Council, as far as possible.

The attached report sets out the suggested revised Committee allocations together with changes in Committee membership put forward by the Independent Group.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?	YES



### **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
NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

### Legal

Committees are to be appointed in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) regulations 1990, as amended, and the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.

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The Council's constitution sets out arrangement for appointment to fill vacancies on Committees



### **CONSULTATIONS**

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

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- 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	Locations that the papers are available for public
	No.	inspection
Local Government and Housing Act 1989		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1989/42/pa
- Sections 15 and 16		rt/l/crossheading/political-balance-on-
		committees-etc
The Local Government (Committees and		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1990/1553/co
Political Groups) Regulations 1990		ntents/made
The Local Government Act 2000		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/mwa/2011/4/conte
		<u>nts</u>
The Local Government (Wales) Measure		
2011		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/22/co
		<u>ntents</u>

