

AGENDA

For the Annual Council meeting to be held on Wednesday 27 May 2015.

Timothy Wheadon, Chief Executive



NOTICE OF MEETING

Annual Council Wednesday 27 May 2015, 7.30 pm Council Chamber, Fourth Floor, Easthampstead House, Bracknell

To: The Council

Andy Blatchford (Mayor)

Councillors Allen, Mrs Angell, Angell, Dr Barnard, Bettison, D Birch, Mrs Birch, G Birch, Brossard, Brunel-Walker, Dudley, Finch, Finnie, Ms Gaw, Mrs Hamilton, Harrison, Mrs Hayes MBE, Ms Hayes, Heydon, Hill, Mrs Ingham, King OBE, Leake, McCracken, Mrs McCracken, Mrs McKenzie, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle, McLean, Mrs Mattick, Ms Merry, Ms Miller, Peacey, Phillips, Porter, Skinner, Mrs Temperton, Thompson, Tullett, Turrell, Virgo, Wade and Worrall

TIMOTHY WHEADON Chief Executive

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The meeting will be opened with prayers by the Mayor's Chaplain

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. **Declarations of Interest**

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- 3. Election of the Mayor of the Borough of Bracknell Forest for the 2015/16 Municipal Year
- 4. Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor
- 5. Response by the Immediate Past Mayor
- 6. Appointment of the Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Bracknell Forest for the 2015/16 Municipal Year
- 7. Mayor's Announcements
- 8. Election of the Leader of the Council for 2015 to 2019
- 9. Appointments by the Leader of the Council

This report asks the Council to note:

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- (a) the Members appointed by the Leader to serve on the Executive for the 2015/16 Municipal Year;
- (b) the appointment of Executive Committees, Sub-Committees and Advisory Panels; and
- (c) the appointments by the Leader to external organisations.

10. Establishment of Committees and Associated Matters

This report asks Council to agree:

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- (a) the establishment and membership if Committees;
- (b) appointments to External Organisations;
- (c) the appointment of Council Champions.



TO: ANNUAL COUNCIL 27 MAY 2015

APPOINTMENTS AND DELEGATIONS BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE 2015/2016 MUNICIPAL YEAR Director of Corporate Services – Democratic & Registration Services

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report presents to the Council appointments and delegations by the Leader of the Council for the forthcoming Municipal Year. Where there are changes to the current delegations, the Constitution will be amended accordingly.

2 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 At the Annual Council meeting on 27 May 2015 Councillor Bettison has been nominated as Leader of the Council for a four year term, 2015-2019.
- 2.2 The Leader of the Council has authority to:
 - determine the number and scope of Executive portfolios;
 - make appointments to the Executive;
 - appoint Executive Committees; determine their terms of reference and constitution; and appoint Executive Members to them;
 - determine the nature and extent of any delegation of Executive functions to any other authority or any joint arrangements, and appoint Members to any joint committee;
 - make appointments to advisory panels and sub-groups of the Executive; and
 - make appointments to external organisations whose functions are the sole responsibility of the Executive.

Executive Members

2.3 The Leader has appointed Executive Members with portfolios as set out below. Information regarding each Executive Member, including their wards and contact details, is available on the Council's website www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk.

Councillor	Portfolio
Councillor Dr Barnard	Children, Young People and Learning (Vice-Chairman of the Executive)
Councillor Bettison	Council Strategy and Community Cohesion (Leader of the Council and Chairman of the Executive)

Unrestricted

Councillor Birch	Adult Services, Health and Housing (Deputy Leader of the Council)
Councillor Brunel-Walker	Economic Development and Regeneration
Councillor Mrs Hayes	Environment
Councillor Heydon	Transformation and Finance
Councillor McCracken	Culture, Corporate Services and Public Protection
Councillor Turrell	Planning and Transport

2.4 The portfolios of executive responsibilities for each Executive Member are included in Part 2, Section 5 of the Council's Constitution.

Executive Committees

2.5 The terms of reference of Executive Committees appointed by the Leader are set out in Part 2, Section 5 of the Council's Constitution, including joint committees exercising executive functions.

Appointments to Committees, advisory panels and sub-groups of the Executive

2.6 A template setting out proposed committees, sub-committees, steering groups, advisory groups and panels is set out at Appendix A.

Appointments to external organisations

2.7 A template setting out the external organisations to which appointments will be made is set out at Appendix B.

3 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

3.1 Nothing to add to the report.

Borough Treasurer

3.2 There are no additional revenue implications arising from the above recommendations.

Equalities Impact Assessment

3.3 Not relevant to this report.

Strategic Risk Management Issues

3.4 Not relevant to this report.

Unrestricted

4 **CONSULTATION**

Principal Groups Consulted

4.1 None.

Method of Consultation

4.2 Not applicable.

Representations Received

Not applicable. 4.3

Background Papers

None

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Appendix A

Membership of the Executive, Overview & Scrutiny, Regulatory Committees and Other Committees 2015/16

Mayor: Councillor Mrs Hamilton Deputy Mayor: Councillor Virgo

Leader of the Council: Councillor Bettison

Deputy Leader of the Council: Councillor D Birch

Key: Committee appointed by		
	Council / relevant Committee	
	the Leader	
	O&S Commission	

Executive Members		
Councillor Dr Barnard	Executive Member for Children, Young People and Learning (Vice-Chairman of the Executive)	
Councillor Bettison	Executive Member for Council Strategy and Community Cohesion (Leader of the Council and Chairman of the Executive)	
Councillor D Birch	Executive Member for Adult Services, Health and Housing (Deputy Leader of the Council)	
Councillor Brunel-Walker	Executive Member for Economic Development and Regeneration	
Councillor Mrs Hayes MBE	Executive Member for the Environment	
Councillor Heydon	Executive Member for Transformation and Finance	
Councillor McCracken	Executive Member for Culture, Corporate Services and Public Protection	
Councillor Turrell	Executive Member for Planning and Transport	

Council Champions

Business Champion	Councillor Wade
Commuters' Champion	Councillor Harrison
Older People's Champion	Councillor Thompson
Voluntary Sector Champion	Councillor Finnie
Champion 5	Vacancy

Overview and Scrutiny

Overview & Scrutiny Commission (13 Councillors)

Conservative (12) Allen Labour (1) Mrs Temperton

Angell (Vice-Chairman Elect)

Mrs Angell Mrs Birch Brossard Finnie Harrison

Leake (Chairman Elect)

Mrs Mattick
Mrs McCracken

Phillips Porter

Substitute Members Conservative (5)

Dudley King OBE Thompson Tullett Worrall

Church Representatives (2)

Vacancy (voting) Vacancy (voting)

Parent Governor Representatives (2)

Mr R Briscoe (voting)
Ms L Wellsteed (voting)

Adult Social Care & Housing Overview & Scrutiny Panel (9 Councillors)

Labour (1)

Mrs Temperton

Conservative (8)

Allen (Vice-Chairman Elect) Mrs Angell

Mrs Angell Finch Finnie

Harrison (Chairman Elect)

Mrs McCracken Ms Merry Peacey

Substitute Members Conservative (5)

Brossard Ms Hayes Mrs Mattick Mrs McKenzie Thompson

Children, Young People & Learning Overview & Scrutiny Panel (9 Councillors)	Environment, Culture & Communities Overview & Scrutiny Panel (9 Councillors)
Conservative (8) Mrs Birch (Chairman-Elect) Brossard (Vice-Chairman Elect) Ms Gaw Mrs Hamilton Ms Hayes Mrs McCracken Skinner Virgo	Conservative (9) Angell (Chairman Elect) Mrs Angell Brossard Finnie Mrs Ingham Mrs Mattick Mrs Mckenzie Mrs Mckenzie Porter (Vice-Chairman Elect)
Substitute Members Conservative (5) Allen Mrs Ingham Ms Merry Peacey Porter	Substitute Members Conservative (5) Dudley King OBE Leake Ms Miller Virgo
Church Representatives (2) Vacancy (voting) Vacancy (voting)	
Parent Governor Representative (2) Mr R Briscoe (voting) Ms L Wellsteed (voting)	
Teacher Representative (1) Miss V Richardson (non-voting)	
Social Care Representatives (1) Miss C Barrett (non voting)	
Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel (9 Councillors)	
Conservative (8) G Birch Hill Mrs Mattick Mrs McCracken (Vice-Chairman Elect) Phillips (Chairman Elect) Thompson Tullett Virgo	
Substitute Members Conservative (5) Allen Mrs Angell Brossard Harrison Peacey Co-opted Representative (1) Dr Norman (non voting)	

Regulatory Committees

Appeals Committee (5 Councillors)	Education Governor Appointments Committee (5 Councillors)
Conservative (5) Brossard Finnie (Chairman Elect) Mrs McCracken Thompson (Vice-Chairman Elect) Wade	Conservative (5) Dr Barnard (Chairman Elect) Mrs Birch (Vice-Chairman Elect) Ms Gaw Heydon Mrs McCracken
Substitute Members	Substitute Members
Conservative (5) Dr Barnard Ms Gaw King OBE Leake Tullett	Conservative (5) Allen Hill Mrs Ingham Mrs McKenzie Virgo
Education Employment Sub Committee of Employment Committee (6 Councillors)	Employment Committee (9 Councillors)
Conservative (6) Allen (Chairman Elect) Mrs Angell (Vice-Chairman Elect) Mrs Birch Leake Virgo Worrall	Conservative (8) Allen (Vice-Chairman Elect) Mrs Temperton Mrs Birch Heydon (non-voting) Leake Mclean (Chairman Elect) Ms Miller Virgo
Substitute Members Conservative (5) Angell Brossard Dudley Mrs Hamilton Mrs McCracken	Worrall Substitute Members Conservative (5) Angell Brossard Dudley Mrs Hamilton Mrs McCracken
Governance & Audit Committee (8 Councillors)	Personnel Appeals Panel – Sub Committee of Employment Committee (4 Councillors)
Conservative (7) Allen (Chairman Elect) Heydon King OBE (Vice-Chairman Elect) McLean Ms Miller Thompson Worrall	Any four of the Employment Committee who are available on the day.
Substitute Members Conservative (5) Mrs Hayes MBE Hill Leake McCracken Mrs McKenzie-Boyle	
Independent Member Mr G Anderson	g g

Licensing and Safety Committee (15 Councillors)

Conservative (15)

Allen (Chairman Elect)

Dr Barnard

G Birch

Brossard

Brunel-Walker

Finch

Finnie

Ms Gaw

Leake

Mrs McCracken

Mrs McKenzie

Ms Miller

Porter

Thompson(Vice-Chairman Elect)

Tullett

Licensing Panel – Sub Committee of Licensing and Safety Committee (3 Councillors)

Any three councillors drawn, as required, from the Membership of the Licensing and Safety Committee.

Chairs of Panels:

Any Councillor who has completed Chairman training drawn, as required, from the Membership of the Licensing and Safety Committee.

Planning Committee (19 Councillors)

Conservative (19)

Angell

Mrs Angell

Brossard (Vice-Chairman Elect)

D Birch

Dudley (Chairman Elect)

Finnie

Mrs Hayes MBE

Heydon

Hill

Mrs Ingham

Mrs Mattick

Mrs McKenzie

Mrs McKenzie-Boyle

Peacey

Phillips

Skinner

Thompson

Worrall

Other Committees

	r
Bracknell Forest Access Group (4 Councillors)	Bracknell Town Centre Regeneration Committee
	(5 Executive Members)
Conservative (4)	Councillors
Mrs Angell	Dr Barnard
Finnie (Vice-Chairman Elect)	Bettison
Ms Merry	Brunel-Walker
Thompson (Chairman Elect)	McCracken
Substitute Members (5)	Co-optee
Brossard	(Non voting)
Harrison	Mrs Temperton
Leake	inio i orriportori
Mrs McCracken	Substitute Members
Tullett	
Tullott	Any member of the Executive who, in the absence of an
	appointed Member, is nominated by that Member to
	serve on the Panel.
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Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel (6 Councillors)	Edgbarrow & Sandhurst Sports Centre Management
	Committee
	(3 Councillors)
Conservative (5) Labour (1)	Conservative (3)
Mrs Birch Mrs Temperton	Finnie
Ms Hayes	Porter
Heydon (Chairman Elect)	Wade
Mrs Ingham	
Mrs McCracken (Vice-Chairman	Substitute Members (1)
Elect)	
	Conservative (1)
Substitute Members	King OBE
Conservative (5)	
Brossard	
Dudley	Representatives to be confirmed:
Finch	Edgbarrow Sports Centre (2)
Leake	Sandhurst Sports Centre (2)
Peacey	
Electoral Review Steering Group	
(4 Councillors)	
(+ Godifoliois)	
Conservative (3) Labour (1)	
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D Birch Mrs Temperton	
Leake	
Turrell	
Substitute Members	
Conservative (5)	
Allen	
King OBE	
McLean	
Ms Merry	
Thompson	

Executive Committee – Contracts/Finance (4 Executive Members)	Health & Safety Panel (1 Councillor)		
Councillors Bettison D Birch Brunel Walker Heydon	Conservative (1) Tullett		
Substitute Members Any Member of the Executive who, in the absence of an appointed Member, is nominated by that Member to serve on the Committee.	Substitute Member Conservative (1) Leake		
Health and Wellbeing Board (2 Councillors)			
Conservative (2) Executive Member for Adult Services, Health & Housing, Councillor D Birch Executive Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Dr Barnard			
Bracknell Forest & Ascot Clinical Commissioning Gro Dr William Tong	pup		
Bracknell Forest Council Timothy Wheadon, Chief Executive, Bracknell Forest Council John Nawrockyi, Director of Adult Social Care, Health & Housing Dr Janette Karklins, Director of Children, Young People & Learning Lise Llewellyn, Director of Public Health			
Bracknell Forest & Ascot Clinical Commissioning Group Mary Purnell			
NHS England, Thames Valley Area Team Helen Clanchy			
Local Healthwatch Mrs Andrea McCombie-Parker			
Local Plan Member Working Group (7 Councillors)	Local Countryside Access Forum (2 Councillors)		
Angell D Birch (Vice-Chairman Elect) Finnie Mrs Hayes MBE Peacey Thompson Turrell (Chairman Elect)	Brossard Finch		

Local Joint Committee Consultative Committee of Employment Committee (4 Councillors)	Member Development Charter Steering Group (8 Councillors meeting with appropriate Officers)
Conservative (4) Allen Mrs Angell Leake (Chairman Elect) Worrall	Conservative (8) Allen (Chairman Elect) McCracken Mrs McCracken Mrs McKenzie McLean Ms Merry Thompson Wade (Vice-Chairman Elect)
Reserve Members Conservative (2) McLean Ms Miller	Substitute Members Conservatives (3) Angell D Birch Virgo
Parish & Town Council Liaison Group (3 Councillors)	School & Children Centre Performance Advisory Panel (5 Councillors)
Conservative (3) Dudley (Vice-Chairman Elect) Finnie McCracken (Chairman Elect)	Conservative (5) Dr Barnard (Chairman Elect) Mrs Birch (Vice-Chairman Elect) Ms Gaw Heydon Mrs McCracken
Two representatives to be confirmed from each of the following: Bracknell Town Binfield Parish Crowthorne Parish Sandhurst Town Winkfield Parish Warfield Parish	Substitute Members Conservative (5) Allen Mrs Hamilton Leake Ms Merry Turrell
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Secure Accommodation Review Panel (Executive Member)	Standards Committee Advisory Committee of Governance & Audit Committee (3 Councillors)
Executive Member for Children, Young People and Learning, a suitably qualified Social Services officer and an independent person, appointed by the Director of Children, Young People and Learning.	Conservative (3) Finnie King OBE Thompson
	Non Council Members (4)
	Mr G Anderson (Chairman Elect) Mr D St. John Jones Mrs H Quillish To be advised
	Independent Person (1) Dr L Lee
	Reserve Independent Person (1) Mr E Hopkin
	Parish / Town Council Member (1) Bracknell Town Council – To be advised
Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (5 Councillors)	
Conservative (5) Dr Barnard Ms Gaw Mrs Hayes MBE Mrs Mattick Ms Merry	

Portfolio Review Groups

Care Portfolio Review Group

Allen Dr Barnard D Birch

Mrs Birch (Chairman Elect) Brossard (Vice-Chairman Elect)

Finch Mrs Mattick Mrs McCracken

Peacey Thompson Tullett

Community Portfolio Review Group

Allen (Vice-Chairman Elect)

Finnie

Harrison (Chairman Elect)

Mrs Hayes MBE Ms Ingham Mrs McKenzie Ms Merry Tullett Wade

Environment Portfolio Review Group

Angell (Chairman Elect)

Mrs Angell Bettison Brossard Brunel-Walker Dudley

Finnie Hill Leake

Porter (Vice-Chairman Elect)

Turrell Virgo Wade

Finance Portfolio Review Group

Allen Angell Bettison D Birch Heydon King OBE Leake McCracken

Mrs McCracken (Vice-Chairman Elect)

Peacey

Phillips (Chairman Elect)

Porter Thompson Wade

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Body	Appointed by	Page
Bracknell Forest Access Group	The Leader	
Adult Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Panel	O&S Commission	
Appeals Committee	Council	
Bracknell Town Centre Regeneration Committee	The Leader	
Care Portfolio Review Group	The Leader	
Children, Young People & Learning Overview & Scrutiny Panel	O&S Commission	
Community Portfolio Review Group	The Leader	
Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel	The Leader	
Edgbarrow & Sandhurst Sports Centre Management Committee	The Leader	
Education Employment Sub Committee of the Employment Committee	Committee	
Education Governor Appointments Committee	Council	
Electoral Review Steering Group	Council	
Employment Committee	Council	
Environment Portfolio Review Group	The Leader	
Environment, Culture and Communities Overview & Scrutiny Panel	O&S Commission	
Executive Committee	The Leader	
Finance Portfolio Review Group	The Leader	
Governance & Audit Committee	Council	
Health & Safety Panel	Council	
Health and Wellbeing Board	Council	
Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel	O&S Commission	
Licensing & Safety Committee	Council	
Licensing Panel – Sub Committee of the Licensing & Safety Committee	Committee	
Local Countryside Access Forum	Council	
Local Joint Committee	Committee	
Local Plan Member Working Group	The Leader	
Member Development Charter Steering Group	The Leader	
Overview & Scrutiny Commission	Council	
Parish & Town Council Liaison Group	The Leader	
Personnel Appeals Panel – Sub Committee of the Employment Committee	Committee	
Planning Committee	Council	
School & Children Centre Performance Advisory Panel	The Leader	
Secure Accommodation Review Panel	The Leader	
Standards Committee Advisory Committee	Committee	
Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)	The Leader	



Appendix B External Organisations 2015/16

Key: Appoint	ed by
	Council
	the Leader



BODY	REPRESENTATION	COUNCILLOR
BODI	REQUIREMENTS	COUNCILLOR

1	Age UK Berkshire	1 Representative	Thompson
2	Age Concern Bracknell	1 Trustee	Thompson
3	Berkshire Association of Clubs for Young People	1 Representative	Ms Hayes
4	Berkshire Community Foundation	1 Representative	Ms Merry
5	Berkshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	1 Representative	Mrs Mattick
6	Berkshire Joint Adoption Panel	1 Member	Dr Barnard
7	Berkshire Leaders Group	Leader of the Council	Bettison
8	Berkshire Local Transport Board	Executive Member for Economic Development and Regeneration Commuters' Champion as named substitute	Brunel-Walker Harrison
9	Berkshire Maestros (formerly Berkshire Young Musicians' Trust)	1 Trustee	Dr Barnard
10	Berkshire Pension Fund Advisory Panel	1 Member	Worrall
11	Berkshire Records Office Working Group	1 Representative	King OBE
12	Berkshire Strategic Transport Members' Forum	Executive Member for Economic Development and Regeneration Commuters' Champion as named substitute	Brunel-Walker Harrison
13	Binfield Badger Group - Management Committee	1 Representative	Leake
14	Birch Hill Community Association	1 Representative	Mrs Birch
15	Blackwater Valley Advisory Committee for Public Transport	1 Representative	Turrell

16	Bracknell & District Citizens Advice Bureau	1 Representative	Ms Merry
17	Bracknell & District Victim Support Scheme	1 Representative	McCracken
18	Bracknell and Wokingham College Corporation	1 Representative	Ms Hayes
19	Bracknell Forest Fostering Panel	1 Member	Dr Barnard
20	Bracknell Forest Homes – General Meetings	1 Representative (either an officer or a Member)	D Birch
21	Bracknell Forest Homes Board	1 Representative	Wade (Term of office ends September 2017)
22	Involve Board	1 Representative	D Birch
23	Bracknell Shopmobility	2 Representatives	Ms Merry Mrs Angell
24	Bracknell Voluntary Car Service	1 Representative	Leake
25	Bullbrook Community Association	1 Representative	Angell
26	Children and Young People's Partnership Board	Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning	Dr Barnard

1 Representative

the Environment

1 Member

Protection

Protection

Executive Member for

Executive Member for

Culture, Corporate Services and Public

2 Representative

Executive Member for

Culture, Corporate

1 Representative

1 Representative

Services and Public

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Climate Change Partnership

Community Safety Partnership

Community Safety Partnership

Easthampstead & Wildridings

Community Association

Crown Wood Community Association

Communities and Local Government

Climate Berkshire

Heritage Champion

Executive

REPRESENTATION

REQUIREMENTS

COUNCILLOR

Mrs Hayes MBE

Mrs Hayes MBE

Mrs Hayes MBE

Mrs Temperton

McCracken

Tullett

Dudley

Heydon

McCracken

	BODY	REPRESENTATION REQUIREMENTS	COUNCILLOR
34	Economic and Skills Development Partnership	Executive Member for Economic Development and Regeneration	Brunel-Walker Wade
		Business Champion	Wade
35	Farley Wood Community Association	1 Representative	Harrison
36	Federation of Burial Cremation Authorities	1 Representative	McCracken
37	Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors	1 Governor	Peacey
38	Forest Park Community Association	1 Representative	Ms Hayes
39	Great Hollands Community Association	1 Representative	Mrs McCracken
40	Hanworth Community Association	1 Representative	Mrs Ingham
41	Heathrow Airport Consultative	1 Representative	Turrell
	Committee	1 Deputy	Brunel-Walker
42	Homestart – Bracknell Forest	1 Representative	Mrs McCracken
43	Improvement and Efficiency South	1 Director	Bettison
43	East (iESE)	1 Member	Heydon
44	Jennett's Park Community Association	1 Representative	Hill
45	Joint Waste Disposal Board (Bracknell Forest, Wokingham and Reading)	2 Members	Mrs Hayes MBE McCracken
46	Keep Mobile Country Tours Ltd	1 Trustee	Dr Barnard
		Leader of the Council Executive Member for	Bettison Heydon
47	Local Government Association	Transformation and Finance	
		1 Observer	Dr Barnard
48	Local Government Information Unit Management Committee	1 Representative	Wade
40	Martins Heron and the Warren	1 Reserve	Leake
49	Community Association	1 Representative	Turrell

REPRESENTATION

BODY	REPRESENTATION	COUNCILLOR
ועטם	REQUIREMENTS	COUNCILLOR

50	North Ascot Community Association	1 Representative	Mrs Hayes MBE
51	Older Peoples' Partnership	Executive Member for Adult Services, Health and Housing Older People's Champion	D Birch Thompson
52	Owlsmoor Community Centre	1 Representative	Worrall
53	Parents and Children Together	1 Representative	Mrs Ingham
54	Police and Crime Panel	1 Representative	McCracken
55	Priestwood Community Association	1 Representative	Finch
56	Relate	1 Representative	Leake
57	Royal Berkshire Fire Authority	3 Members (Appointments to the Fire Authority are subject to section 15 of the Local Government & Housing Act 1989 [political balance])	Dudley McCracken Mrs McKenzie-Boyle (Term of Office expires May 2019)
58	Royal British Legion (Bracknell Branch) (Service and Welfare Committee)	1 Representative	Ms Merry
59	Sandhurst Day Centre Association	1 Representative	Mrs McKenzie
60	South East England Councils	1 Representative 1 Reserve	Bettison Turrell
61	South East Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association	1 Representative	Hill
62	South East Strategic Leaders	Leader of the Council	Bettison

	202.	REQUIREMENTS	333N31223N
63	South Hill Park Trust Board	4 Trustees	Councillor Mrs Hayes MBE (Term of office expires November 2015 AGM) Councillors Tullet and Mrs McCracken (Term of office expires November 2017 AGM) Virgo (Term of office expires November 2019 AGM)
64	Standing Conference for Archives	1 Representative	King OBE
65	Thames Valley Berkshire City Deal Joint Committee	Executive Member for Economic Development and Regeneration 1 Substitute	Brunel-Walker Heydon
66	Thames Valley Berkshire Local Enterprise Partnership	Executive Member for Economic Development and Regeneration	Brunel-Walker
67	Thames Basin Heaths Joint Strategic Partnership Board	1 Representative from each of the 13 Local Authorities which deal with nature conservation issues around the Thames Basin Heaths	Turrell
68	The Parks Community Association	1 Representative	Ms Merry

REPRESENTATION

COUNCILLOR

BODY



TO: ANNUAL COUNCIL 27 MAY 2015

ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS Director of Corporate Services – Democratic and Registration Services

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report sets out the position regarding the overall allocation of seats on committees. The Council is asked to agree the establishment of committees, and the appointment of Members to serve on committees and other bodies.
- 1.2 The Council is required to determine the allocation of committee seats to party groups and then to appoint to those seats in accordance with the wishes of each party group on the Council. The Conservative Group is now the only Group on the Council. The nominations from the Conservative Group are included in Appendix A of agenda item 9.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Council is asked to agree:

- (i) the establishment of ordinary committees, their size and allocation of seats, agreeing a local variation to the proportionality rules, as set out in paragraph 6 of the report;
- (ii) the establishment of the Licensing and Safety Committee, the Overview and Scrutiny Commission and the Standards Committee, their size and allocation of seats, agreeing a local variation to the proportionality rules, as set out in paragraph 6 of the report;
- (iii) the membership of each committee, in accordance with Members' wishes;
- (iv) appointments to external organisations;
- (v) the appointment of Council Champions, in accordance with Part 1 Section 7 of the Constitution;

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 A review of the allocation of committee seats to party groups is conducted each year at the Annual Meeting of the Council, in accordance with the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 This report reflects the Conservative Group recommendations for the allocation of seats on committees, which require Council agreement to a local variation to the proportionality rules.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Background

5.1 The Bracknell Forest Borough elections took place on 7 May 2015, as a result of which the political balance of the Council is as follows:

	Number of Councillors	Proportionality
Conservative	41	97.62%
Labour	1	2.38%
	42	100%

Political balance requirements

- 5.2 The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 requires the Council to allocate seats on ordinary and overview and scrutiny committees to political groups for the forthcoming municipal year, in accordance with the size of each group on the Council as a whole, unless alternative arrangements are notified to all Members and agreed without any Councillor voting against them. The Council is also required to make appointments to committees in accordance with the wishes of the political group to which each seat has been allocated.
- 5.3 The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 introduced provisions in order to ensure that the political balance on committees reflects the political complexion of the Council. In order to achieve this, the Council is required to observe the following principles as far as is reasonably practicable:
 - (a) that not all seats on the committee are allocated to the same political group;
 - (b) that the majority of seats on each committee should be allocated to a particular political group if the number of members of the group is a majority of the authority's membership;
 - (c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the total number of all seats allocated to each political group on ordinary committees should reflect the political balance of the Council; and
 - (d) subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, that the number of seats on each committee allocated to each political group should reflect the political balance of the Council.
- 5.4 Principles (a), (b) and (d) apply to all appointments to the authority's own committees and sub-committees and to certain outside bodies. However, principle (c) only relates to appointments to the 'ordinary' committees of the Council.

6 ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON ORDINARY COMMITTEES

6.1 The Conservative Group is now the only political group on the Council. There is one Labour councillor on the Council however it requires two Members to form a Group; as a result Councillor Mrs Temperton is not entitled to any seats on committees as of right. However to give effect to (a) above, one seat on every committee and sub-

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committee has been offered to Councillor Mrs Temperton. Councillor Mrs Temperton has indicated that she would prefer not to have a seat on every committee/sub-committee and has identified those that she would like to sit on. Such a departure from the normal rules of proportionality is permitted by the Regulations if notice is given of the proposal in the agenda and if it is approved by the Council with no Member voting against the proposal. If any Member votes against the proposal then the normal proportionality rules will be applied and Councillor Mrs Temperton will have a seat on every committee/sub-committee.

6.2 The table below sets out the proposed allocation of seats on ordinary committees.

As set out above this proposal represents a local variation to the proportionality rules as every seat on three of the committees is allocated to the same political group.

Committee	Number of seats	Conservative Group	Labour
Appeals Committee	4	4	0
Education Governor Appointments Committee	5	5	0
Employment Committee	9	8	1
Governance and Audit Committee	8	7	1
Planning Committee	18	18	0
Total allocation of places	44	42	2
Overall political balance	44	43	1

Licensing and Safety Committee

6.3 There are a further 15 seats on the Licensing and Safety Committee, which is the Council's Licensing Committee for the purposes of the Licensing Act 2003. As such it is not an ordinary committee in the sense of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and, although it must be politically proportionate, it has not been included in the table above which shows the overall allocation of seats on committees. The proposal for the allocation of seats on this committee also represents a variation to the proportionality rules as Councillor Mrs Temperton would not like a seat and therefore every seat is allocated to the same political group.

Conservative Group 15; Labour 0

Overview and Scrutiny Commission

- There are a further 13 seats on the Overview and Scrutiny Commission. Although the allocation of seats to the Overview and Scrutiny Commission must be politically proportionate this is not an ordinary committee and therefore has not been aggregated together with the seats of ordinary committees for the purposes of the allocation of seats to party groups by the Council under section 15(5)(c) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, i.e. principles (a), (b), and (d) apply but not (c).
- 6.5 The proposal for the 13 seats is in accordance with the proportionality rules:

Conservative Group 13: Labour 1

Sub-committees

6.6 Committees are also required to observe political proportionality when setting the membership of sub-committees. The proposed allocation of sub-committee seats is set out below.

Overview & Scrutiny Panels/Sub-Committees	Number of seats	Conservative Group	Labour
Adult Social Care & Housing OSP	9	8	1
Children, Young People & Learning OSP	9	8	1
Environment, Culture & Communities OSP	9	9	0
Health OSP	9	8	1
Education Employment Sub- Committee	6	6	0

6.7 There will be a meeting of each committee immediately following the Annual Council meeting to establish their sub-committees. In law the Overview and Scrutiny Panels are sub-committees of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission.

Advisory committees and other bodies

6.8 The Standards Committee is an Advisory Committee of the Governance and Audit Committee and as such is required to be politically balanced. The proposed allocation of seats is:

Conservative 3; Labour 0

6.9 The Independent Members plus the Parish Representative on the Standards Committee outnumber the councillors and deprive the majority group of a majority on the Committee. This departure from the normal rules of proportionality is permitted by the Regulations if notice is given of the proposal in the agenda and if it is approved by the Council with no Member voting against.

Membership of committees and other bodies

6.10 A template setting out proposed committees, sub-committees, steering groups, advisory groups and panels is set out in Appendix A of agenda item 9.

Membership of external organisations

6.11 A template setting out the external organisations, to which appointments will be made is set out in Appendix B of agenda item 9. Nominations to each organisation will be circulated in advance of the meeting.

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7 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

7.1 The relevant legal issues are identified elsewhere in this report.

Borough Treasurer

7.2 There are no additional revenue implications arising from the above recommendations.

Equalities Impact Assessment

7.3 Not relevant to this report.

Strategic Risk Management Issues

7.4 Not relevant to this report.

8 CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

8.1 Conservative Group and Councillor Mrs Temperton

Method of Consultation

8.2 Discussion

Representations Received

8.3 Outcome of discussions reflected in this report.

Background Papers

None

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