## REPORT FOR DECISION

## MEETING:

## ANNUAL COUNCIL

DATE:
18 MAY 2010
SUBJECT:
ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS 2010/2011
REPORT FROM: Leader of the Council
CONTACT OFFICER: Director of Legal and Democratic Services

## TYPE OF DECISION: Council Decision

## REPORT STATUS: For Publication

## PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

The report deals with:-
a) the notification of Political Group Leaders and Deputy Leaders, the allocation of Portfolios to Executive Members and the allocation of Lead Member Roles for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year, (Appendices A and B)
b) the appointment of Regulatory Committees, Overview and Scrutiny Committees and other bodies affected by the Political Balance Rules contained in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year. (Appendix C)
c) the appointment of the Standards Committee and other bodies not covered or exempted from the Political Balance Rules for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year; (Appendix D)
d) the appointment of representatives on Joint Authorities, (Appendix E). The Joint Committee has recommended all Greater Manchester Authorities to appoint their Executive Member for Environment and Transport or its equivalent, to the Greater Manchester Waste Plan Joint Committee
e) the appointment of other internal bodies not covered by the Political Balance Rules; (Appendix F), which include the six Local Area Partnerships;
f) the appointments to outside bodies; (Appendix G) and
g) those outside bodies which will be contacted to clarify Member involvement. (Appendix H).

## OPTIONS AND RECOMMENDED OPTION (with reasons):

## Recommended option

1. That the appointments of the Political Groups' Leaders and Deputy Leaders as set out in Appendix A to this report be received.
2. That the appointment of the Deputy Leader and Executive Members for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix B to this report be noted.
3. That the appointment of the Regulatory Committees, Overview and Scrutiny Committees and other bodies covered by the Political Balance Rules, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix $C$ to this report, be approved.
4. That the appointment of the Standards Committee and other bodies not covered by or exempted from the Political Balance Rules, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix D to the report, be approved.
5. That the Chair of the Standards Committee be appointed from amongst the Independent Members for 2010/2011 Municipal Year.
6. That the appointments to the Greater Manchester Joint Authorities for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year including the appointment to the Greater Manchester Waste Plan Joint Committee, as set out in Appendix E to the report, be approved.
7. That the appointments to the various other internal bodies, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year, set out in Appendix F to the report, be approved.
8. That the appointments to outside bodies for the 2009/2010 Municipal Year as set out in Appendix $G$ to the report, be approved.
9. That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leaders of the three political groups on the Council, be authorised to determine any appointments to bodies which remain to be filled and any changes in appointments or any new appointments to be made during the 2010/2011 Municipal Year and that any such appointments be reported to the Executive for information.

## IMPLICATIONS -

## Financial Implications and Risk Considerations

There are no direct financial implications

## Corporate Aims/Policy Framework:

Do the proposals accord with the Policy Framework? Yes

| Are there any legal implications? | Yes |
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| Considered by Monitoring Officer: | Yes |

The appointment of the various bodies indicated in the report complies with the provisions of the Council Constitution adopted under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000 and its related Regulations and directions and also with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 as amended in respect of the political balance rules.

## Statement by Director of Finance and E-Government:

## Staffing/ICT/Property: N/A

Wards Affected:
Scrutiny Interest:

No direct financial implications

All Wards
Resource and Performance

## TRACKING/PROCESS

DIRECTOR LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES:

| Chief Executive/ <br> Management Board | Executive Member/ <br> Chair | Political Group Leaders | Partners |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Scrutiny Management |  |  |  |
| Executive | Committee | Council |  |
| N/A | - | - | 18 May 2010 |

### 1.0 ISSUES

### 1.1 POLITICAL GROUP LEADERS AND DEPUTY LEADERS

1.1.1 The appointment of the Political Groups on the Council of their Leaders and Deputy Leaders has been notified and the details are set out in Appendix A to this report.

### 1.2 THE LEADER

1.2.1 The Council Constitution made under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000 and its associated Regulations and directions and adopted by the Council on 21 November 2001, as amended, provides for the Council to appoint the Leader.

### 1.3 REGULATORY COMMITTEES, OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES COVERED BY THE POLITICAL BALANCE RULES

1.3.1 The rules and requirements for securing political balance on the Regulatory Committees (and Sub-Committees), Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Advisory Committees and certain other bodies appointed by local authorities as set out in Appendix C of this report, are contained in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, as amended.
1.3.2 The general effects of the balance rules on this Council are that it is under a duty:-
(a) to ensure that the membership of those bodies covered by the rules reflects the political composition of the Council as far as practicable;
(b) to allocate seats on these bodies to the political groups in proportion to their numerical strength on the Council as far a practicable;
(c) to accept the nominations made by the Groups for the filling of seats allocated to them; and
(d) to review the allocation of seats to political groups at, or as soon as practicable after, the Annual Council Meeting and at certain other specified times.
1.3.3 In determining the allocation of seats to the political groups, the Council must apply these overriding two principles so far as is reasonably practicable:-
(A) Not all seats on a body are to be allocated to the same political group;
(B) The group with a majority of seats on the Council shall be allocated a majority of seats on a body.

Having first satisfied (A) and (B) above, then:-
(C) The total of all seats on ordinary Committees shall be allocated to the groups in proportion to their respective political strengths on the Council.

Once (A), (B) and (C) above have been satisfied then:-
(D) The number of seats on other affected "bodies" (SubCommittees/Other Bodies) shall also be allocated to the political groups in proportion to their respective political strengths on the Council.
1.3.4 The proportions which each political group bears to the total number of Councillors on the Council are as follows:

| Group | Council Seats | Proportion |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| Conservative | 23 | 0.45 |
| Labour | 20 | 0.39 |
| Lib/Dem | 8 | 0.16 |

1.3.5 Recommended seat allocations (actual) to the groups are shown against each body listed in the Schedule. Based on the approved sizes of "bodies" and bearing in mind the principles referred to above, the actual seat allocations for the main Committees are as follows:-

| Group | Committees | Sub Committees/ <br> Other Bodies | Total Seats |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Conservative | 70 | - | 70 |
| Labour | 60 | - | 60 |
| Liberal Democrats | 25 | - | 25 |
| TOTALS | 155 | - | 155 |

### 1.4 STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND OTHER BODIES NOT COVERED BY THE POLITICAL BALANCE RULES

1.4.1 The appointment of the Standards Committee and certain other bodies are not covered by the Political Balance Rules.
1.4.2. Different rules may apply to the appointment of these bodies particularly the Standards Committee.
1.4.3 In line with the recommendations of the then Standards Board for England in advocating that Independent Members be appointed as Chairs of Standards Committees, the Council agreed previously that the Standards Committee be Chaired by an Independent Member.

### 1.5. REPRESENTATIVES ON GREATER MANCHESTER JOINT AUTHORITIES

1.5.1. The Council is entitled to appoint representatives to serve on the Greater Manchester Joint Authorities for 2010/2011 and to nominate, from amongst the appointed representatives, Spokespersons to answer any questions (duly notified at Council meetings) on the functions of the Joint Authorities on which they serve.

### 1.6 APPOINTMENTS OF OTHER INTERNAL BODIES NOT GOVERNED BY THE POLITICAL BALANCE RULES 2010/2011

1.6.1 Attached to this report at Appendix $F$ is a schedule giving details of the appointments to other internal bodies not covered by the Political Balance Rules.

### 1.7 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2010/2011

1.7.1 Attached to this report at Appendix $G$ is a schedule giving details of appointments to be made to outside bodies. Appendix H sets out a further list of outside bodies to which members are usually appointed. The Director of Legal and Democratic Services is currently auditing the list to ascertain the status of each of these bodies.

### 2.0 CONCLUSION

2.1 Appendix A contains details of appointments of Group Leaders/Deputy Leaders.
2.2 Appendix $B$ contains details of appointments relating to the Executive/Cabinet.
2.3. Appendix C contains details of the Regulatory Committees and SubCommittees/Other Bodies to be appointed in accordance with the Political Balance Rules.
2.4 Appendix D contains details for the appointment of the Standards Committee and other bodies not covered by the Political Balance Rules.
2.5 Appendix E contains details of appointments of representatives on the Greater Manchester Joint Authorities.
2.6 Appendix F contains details of appointments of other internal bodies not covered by the Political Balance Rules.
2.7 Appendix $G$ contains details of appointments to outside bodies.
2.8 Appendix H contains a list of Outside Bodies which are subject to audit.

## List of Background Papers:-

Schedules of appointments made by each political group.

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APPOINTMENT OF POLITICAL GROUP LEADERS/DEPUTY LEADERS FOR $2010 / 2011$

| Group/Position | Appointees 2010/2011 |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | Councillors: |
| Labour Group |  |
| Leader |  |
| Deputy Leader |  |
| Conservative Group |  |
| Leader |  |
| Deputy Leader |  |
| Liberal Democrat Group |  |
| Leader |  |
| Deputy Leader |  |

## APPOINTMENT OF THE CABINET AND LEAD MEMBERS FOR 2010/2011

## The Cabinet/Cabinet Members

| Position | Appointees <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 0 / 2 0 1 1}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Communities |  |
| Resource, Human Resource and Performance |  |
| Children and Young people |  |
| Environment and Transport |  |
| Health and Well-Being |  |
|  |  |
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(The Cabinet may not include the chairman (Mayor) or vice-chairman (Deputy Mayor) of the Authority [S.11(7) of LG Act 2000])
(The number of members of the Cabinet may not exceed 10 [S.11(8) of LG Act 2000])

APPOINTMENT OF POLITICALLY BALANCED COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2010/2011


| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cllr | CoOpted |  |
| 3. Human Resources and Appeals Panel | 51 | 0 | Councillors   <br> Con Lab Lib/Dem <br> 23 seats 20 seats 8 seats <br> The Panel to comprise all Members of the Council. <br> Chair: |
| 23 seats | 20 seats |  | 8 seats |
| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |
|  | CIIr | CoOpted |  |
| 3. Human Resources and Appeals Panel | 51 | 0 | Councillors   <br> Con Lab Lib/Dem <br> 23 seats 20 seats 8 seats <br> The Panel to comprise all Members of the Council. Chair: |
| 3a. Individual Panels/Boards | (3) <br> or <br> (5) | (0) | 3 or 5 Members of the Panel selected to form Human Resources and Appeals Panels/Boards dealing with:- <br> - Shortlisting and Appointment of Staff <br> - Personnel Appeals <br> - Premature Retirements <br> - Registered Homes Appeals <br> - Childminder Appeals <br> - NNDR Appeals <br> - Any other Appeals <br> Membership to comprise the Lead Member for Human Resources (who will act as Chair), appropriate Executive Member or Lead Member or majority group member or a majority group member of the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee and a member of a minority group |


| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CIIr | CoOpted |  |
| 4. Overview Panel | 9 | 15 |  |

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| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seal Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CIIr | Co-Opted |  |
| 5. Overview Management Committee | 6 |  | Councillors   <br> Con Lab Lib/Dem <br> 3 2 1 |
|  |  |  | (Executive Members not to be members of the Committee.) (Lead Members not to be a Member of a Committee dealing with an area in which they have an involvement or an interest). |


| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CIIr | Co-Opted |  |
| 6. Scrutiny Committee (Internal) | 11 |  | Councillors <br> Con <br> $\mathbf{5}$ Lab $\quad$ Lib/Dem |


| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CIIr | CoOpted |  |
| 7. Scrutiny Committee (External) | 8 |  | Councillors <br> Con <br> $\mathbf{4}$ Lab(Executive Members not to be members of the Commission.)(Lead Members not to be a Member of a Commission dealingwith an area in which they have an involvement or aninfluence).Members of the Overview Management Committee notto be Members of this Committee. |


| Committees | No of Seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments 2010/2011 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CIIr | CoOpted |  |  |  |
| 10. West Pennine Moors Joint Committee | 2 | 0 | Councillors: Con seat 1 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Lab } \\ \text { seat } \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | Lib/Dem <br> 0 |
| Total Councillor Seats | 155 |  |  |  |  |

APPOINTMENT OF NON-POLITICALLY BALANCED COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2010/2011

| Committee | No of seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments$2010 / 2011$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cllrs | Ind |  |
| 1. <br> Standards Committee | 7 | 4 (Vot Ing) | Councillors: <br> (The Leader of the Council cannot be a Member of the Standards Committee. <br> (One Member may be appointed from the Executive but he/she cannot Chair the Committee.) <br> The Council has agreed previously to amend the Constitution to provide that an Independent Member will Chair the Committee. |


| Committee | No of seats |  | Seat Allocations and Appointments$2010 / 2011$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cllirs | Ind |  |
| 2. Audit Committee | 9 | 1 | Councillors: <br> Con <br> Lab <br> Lib/Dem <br> 4 <br> 3 <br> 2 <br> Independent Member: (Voting) <br> (Appointed by Standards Committee) <br> D Gremson <br> Guidance from the external auditor is that Executive Members should not be members of Audit Committee |
| 3. Local Area Partnerships Chairs' Group | 7 | 0 | Councillors:   <br> Con Lab Lib/Dem <br> 3 $\mathbf{2}$ 1 <br> (plus Chair)   <br> (Executive Member for Community Relations to be a Member and Chair of the Group) <br> (All Local Area Partnership Chairs to be a Member of the Group) |


| 4. Local Area Partnerships | No of Seats |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Membership } \\ 2010 / 2011 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cllrs | Ward | Councillors |
| a) <br> Ramsbottom, Tottington and North Manor | 6 | Ramsbottom <br> Tottington <br> North Manor | 1. I Bevan <br> 2. S P Magnall <br> 3. B Theckston <br> 4. R C A Brown <br> 5. I B Gartside <br> 6. Y S Wright <br> 7. D L Gunther <br> 8. D M Higgin <br> 9. J W H Taylor |
| b) Bury West | 6 | Church <br> Elton | 1. R A Bibby <br> 2. R E Walker <br> 3. JF Walton <br> 4. D B Bigg <br> 5. Y Creswell <br> 6. M Hankey |
| c) Bury East | 9 | East <br> Moorside <br> Redvales | 1. J Byrne <br> 2. M Connolly <br> 3. T Holt <br> 4. S Walmsley <br> 5. D M Cassidy <br> 6. K Rothwell <br> 7. T Tariq <br> 8. J Smith <br> 9. I Ahmed |
| d) Whitefield and Unsworth | 9 | Besses <br> Pilkington Park <br> Unsworth | 1. K Audin <br> 2. D Boden <br> 3. A K Matthews <br> 4. RA Caserta <br> 5. B Vincent <br> 6. M J Wiseman <br> 7. S Cohen <br> 8. J Grimshaw <br> 9. A Audin |



|  | Appointee <br> s <br> 2009/2010 | Appoi ntees 2010/2 011 | Notes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joint Authority | Councillor | Coun cillor |  |
| Fire and Rescue | J Walton* |  | Political balance rules do not apply - appointment of less than 3 reps |
|  | J Taylor |  |  |
| Passenger <br> Transport | Y Creswell* |  | Political balance rules do not apply - appointment of less than 3 reps |
|  | B Theckston |  |  |
| Police | R Walker* |  | Membership must reflect political balance of GM area |
| Waste Disposal | YS Wright* |  | Political balance rules do not apply - appointment of less than 3 reps |
|  | S Hurst |  |  |
| Waste Plan Joint Committee | D Gunther |  | Recommendation from the Joint Committee that each Authority appoint its Executive Member for Environment and Transport or its equivalent |

*Denotes Spokespersons to answer questions at Council meetings.

