

Report to:	Cabinet	Date: 10 September 2025
Subject:	Appointments Update	
Report of	Cabinet Member for Customer Service, Communications and Corporate Affairs.	

Summary

This report sets out amendments to the appointments made at the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 21st May 2025.

Recommendation(s)

That: Cabinet note the amendments to the Annual Appointment Report appointments made since the Annual Meeting of Council as set out in the Appendices.

That: Council notes the appointments and amendments to appointments made since the Annual Meeting of Council as set out in the Appendices.

Reasons for recommendation(s)

N/A

Alternative options considered and rejected

N/A

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1. Background

- 1.1 At the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 21st May 2025 the Council resolved, in respect of the various appointments made at that meeting, that the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leaders of the 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 2025/2026 Municipal Year and that any such appointments be reported to the Cabinet for information.

- 1.2 Since that meeting and following political changes to elected members of Bury Council the Appointments report has been amended in line with proportionality principles calculation of Political Balance, as set out below.
- 1.3 All amendments are contained within appendix A.

2. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP ALLOCATION PROCESS

2.1 Previous Composition of the Council (51 Seats)

Labour: 32
Conservative: 10
Radcliffe First: 8
Independent: 1

2.2 New Composition of the Council (51 Seats)

Labour: 32
Radcliffe First: 8
Conservative: 6
Independent Group: 4
Independent: 1

2.3 Proportionality principles Calculation of Political Balance (Proportionality)

The Council must allocate seats on Committees and other prescribed bodies to give effect to the political balance rules. The rules for the allocation of seats are set out in Sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Local Government Regulations 1990. Section 15(5) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 sets out the principles as follows:

- a) that not all the seats on the body are allocated to the same political group;
- b) that the majority of the seats on the body is allocated to a particular political group if the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the authority's membership;
- c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the number of seats on the ordinary committees of a relevant authority which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary committees of that authority as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority; and

- d) subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, that the number of the seats on the body which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the number of all the seats on that body as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority.

2.4 For political balance, a group is required to have at least two members in order to be formally constituted as a political group.

2.5 The Council can only depart from these rules by passing a resolution with no member voting against the resolution.

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2.7 This proportionality report is based on the principles described above. This report has been agreed by Council to ensure the seats are allocated using the appropriate principles as based in law.

2.8 The new political composition of the Council is as follows:

	Labour	Radcliffe First	Conservative	Independent Group	Others
Members	32	8	6	4	1
Percentage	62.7%	15.6%	11.8	7.8%	1.9

An allocation of seats is set out in the table below:

Committee Size	Labour	Radcliffe First	Conservative	Independent Group	Others
5 Members	3	1	1	0	0
9 Members	6	1	1	1	0
11 Members	7	2	1	1	0

Links with the Corporate Priorities: N/A

Equality Impact and Considerations: N/A

Environmental Impact and Considerations: N/A

Assessment and Mitigation of Risk:

Risk / opportunity	Mitigation
N/A	

Legal Implications:

In accordance with the constitution, any changes to appointments following the Annual Council meeting are authorised by the Chief Executive in consultation with Group Leaders. Any changes are reported to the Cabinet for noting.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Appendices:

Appendix A- APPOINTMENT OF POLITICAL GROUP LEADERS/DEPUTY LEADERS FOR 2025/2026

Appendix B- APPOINTMENT OF THE CABINET FOR 2025/2026

Appendix C - APPOINTMENT OF POLITICALLY BALANCED COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2025/2026

Appendix D - APPOINTMENT OF NON-POLITICALLY BALANCED COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2025/26

Appendix E- GMCA & AGMA Nominations and Appointments - Local Authority 2025/26

Appendix F - APPOINTMENT OF OTHER INTERNAL BODIES 2025/2026

Appendix G - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2025/2026

Background papers:

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