REPORT FOR DECISION



Agenda Item

DECISION OF:	Annual Council			
DATE:	20 May 2015			
SUBJECT:	ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS 2015/2016			
REPORT FROM:	Leader of the Council			
CONTACT OFFICER:	Assistant Director - Legal and Democratic Services			
TYPE OF DECISION:	COUNCIL			
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/STATUS:	This paper is within the public domain			
SUMMARY:	The report deals with:-			
	a) the Executive arrangements to be adopted by the Council;			
	b) the notification of Political Group Leaders and Deputy Leaders, the allocation of Portfolios to Cabinet Members and Deputy Cabinet Members; and the allocation of Spokesperson Roles for the 2015/2016 Municipal Year, (Appendices A and B)			
	c) 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 2015/2016 Municipal Year. (Appendix C)			
	d) the appointment of the Audit Committee and other bodies not covered or exempted from the Political Balance Rules for the 2015/2016 Municipal Year; (Appendix D)			
	e) the appointment of representatives on Joint Authorities, (Appendix E).			
	f) the appointment of other internal bodies not covered by the Political Balance Rules; (Appendix F).			

	g)	the appointments to outside bodies; (Appendix G).
OPTIONS & RECOMMENDED OPTION	Reco	mmended option
RECOMMENDED OF FIGH	1.	That the Strong Leader arrangements adopted by the Council in 2011/12, with a Cabinet of between two and eight members be confirmed for 2015/2016.
	2.	That the appointments of the Political Groups' Leaders and Deputy Leaders as set out in Appendix A to this report be received.
	3.	That the appointment of the Cabinet Members, Deputy Cabinet Members and spokespersons for the 2015/2016 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix B to this report be noted.
	4.	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 2015/2016 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix C to this report, be approved.
	5.	That the appointment of the Audit Committee and other bodies not covered by or exempted from the Political Balance Rules, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2015/2016 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix D to the report, be approved.
	6.	That the appointments to the Greater Manchester Joint Authorities for the 2015/2016 Municipal Year, 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 2015/2016 Municipal Year, set out in Appendix F to the report, be approved.
	8.	That the appointments to outside bodies for the 2015/2016 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 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 2015/2016 Municipal Year and

	hat any such appointments be reported to the abinet for information.
IMPLICATIONS:	
Corporate Aims/Policy Framework:	Do the proposals accord with the Policy Framework? Yes
Statement by the S151 Officer: Financial Implications and Risk Considerations:	No additional financial implications
Statement by Executive Director of Resources and Regulation:	No wider resource implications
Equality/Diversity implications:	No
Considered by Monitoring Officer	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 Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, 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.
Wards Affected:	All
Scrutiny Interest:	N/A

TRACKING/PROCESS

DIRECTOR:

Chief Executive/ Strategic Leadership Team	Executive Member/Chair	Ward Members	Partners
Scrutiny Committee	Committee	Council	
		20.05.2015	

1.0 ISSUES

1.1 POLITICAL GROUP LEADERS AND DEPUTY LEADERS

1.1.1 The appointment by 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 In accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the Council currently operates a Strong Leader with Cabinet form of decision-making.
- 1.2.2 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" (Sub-Committees/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	
Labour	35	68.63%	
Conservative	12	23.53%	
Lib/Dem	2	3.92%	
Independent	2	3.92%	

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/ Other Bodies	Total Seats
Labour	106	-	106
Conservative	36	-	36
Lib/Dem	6	-	6
Independent	6	-	6
TOTALS	154	-	154

1.3.6 The final allocation of places to bodies listed in Appendix C will be based on discussions between the political groups so the requirements set out in 1.3.5 above are met.

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

- 1.4.1 The appointment of the Audit Committee and certain other bodies are not covered by the Political Balance Rules.
- 1.4.2. The Council is now responsible for the servicing of the Health and Wellbeing Board. Membership is set out in Appendix D.

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 2015/2016 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 2015/2016

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 2015/2016

1.7.1 Attached to this report at Appendix G is a schedule giving details of appointments to be made to outside 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 Cabinet.

- 2.3. Appendix C contains details of the Regulatory Committees and Sub-Committees/Other Bodies to be appointed in accordance with the Political Balance Rules.
- 2.4 Appendix D contains details for the appointment of the Audit Committee, Health and Wellbeing Board 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.

List of Background Papers:

None

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APPOINTMENT OF POLITICAL GROUP LEADERS/DEPUTY LEADERS FOR 2015/2016

Group/Position	Appointees 2015/2016
	Councillors:
Labour Group	
Leader	
Deputy Leader	
Conservative Group	
Leader	
Deputy Leader	

APPOINTMENT OF THE CABINET FOR 2015/2016

Position	Appointees 2015/2016	
Leader		
Deputy Leader and Health& Wellbeing		
Communities and Culture		
Resource & Regulation		
Environment		
Children & Young People		

(The Cabinet may not include the chairman (Mayor) or vice-chairman (Deputy Mayor) of the Authority [S.11(7) of LG Act 2000])

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CABINET MEMBERS FOR 2015/2016

Position	Appointees
Protection & Family Intervention	
Modernisation & Efficiency	
Healthier Living	
Safer & Cohesive Communities	
Sustainable Borough	
Wellbeing	

APPOINTMENT OF SHADOW CABINET FOR 2015/2016

Position	Appointees
Children, Young People and Culture	
Resource and Regulation	
Health and Wellbeing	
Communities	
Environment	

APPENDIX C

APPOINTMENT OF POLITICALLY BALANCED COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2015/2016

	No o	f Seats	Seat Allocations and Appointments 2015/2016		
Committees	Cllr	Co- Opted			
1. Planning Control	13	0	Councillors		
Committee			Lab	Con	Lib Dem/Ind
			9	3	1
2. Licensing	13	0	Councillors		
and Safety Panel			Lab	Con	Lib Dem/Ind
			9	3	1
			matters) (3 members politically-bala	of the Panel	y and monitoring to form individual possible) Panels for

	No o	f Seats	Seat Allocations and Appointments 2015/2016		
Committees	Cllr	Co- Opted			
3. Human Resources and Appeals Panel	51	0	Councillors Lab Con Lib Dem Ind 35 12 2 2 The Panel to comprise all Members of the Council.		
			Chair: Councillor Holt		
3a. Individual Panels/ Boards	(3) or (5)	(0)	3 or 5 Members of the Panel selected to form Human Resources and Appeals Panels/Boards dealing with:- • Shortlisting and Appointment of Staff • Personnel Appeals • Premature Retirements • Registered Homes Appeals • Childminder Appeals • NNDR Appeals • Any other Appeals • Any other Appeals Membership to comprise the Lead Member for Human Resources (who will act as Chair), appropriate Cabinet 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		

	No o	f Seats	Seat Allocations and Appointments 2015/2016	
Committees	Cllr	Co- Opted		
Overview Panel		-	29 12	ib Dem Ind 2 2 ept Cabinet Members.
			Education Repre	sentatives - (Voting)
			Name	Representing
			 Rev Dr Findon Vacancy Mr R Kanter Vacancy Mrs C Devine 	Roman Catholic Jewish Faith Parent Gov (Secondary)
			Co-opted Membe	ers – (Non-Voting)
			Overview and Pro opted Members as	oject Groups will appoint Co- required.

	No o	f Seats	Seat Allocations and Appointments 2015/2016		
Committees	Cllr	Co- Opted			
5. Overview	12		Councillors		
and Scrutiny Committee			Lab	Con	Lib Dem/Ind
			8	3	1
			(Cabinet Members not to be members of the Committee.) (Deputy Cabinet Members not to be a Membe of a Committee dealing with an area in which they have an involvement or an interest).		

	No of Seats		Seat Allocations and Appointments 2015/2016			
Committees	Cllr	Co-Opted				
6. Health Scrutiny	12		Councillors	S		
Committee			Lab	Con	Lib Dem/Ind	
			9	2	1	
		(Cabinet Members not to be member Committee.) (Lead Members not to be a Memb Committee dealing with an area in				
					t or an influence).	

Committee		Seat Allocations and Appointments		
	Clirs	2015/2016		
		The Mayor (Councillor S Smith) will chair the Committee		
7. Standards Committee	9 (inc.one Cabinet Member)			
	Plus	Independent Member –To be appointed		
		(The Leader of the Council cannot be a Member of the Standards Committee.		
	One Independ- ent - Member	(One Member may be appointed from the Cabinet but he/she cannot Chair the Committee.)		

APPENDIX D

APPOINTMENT OF NON-POLITICALLY BALANCED COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2015/2016

Committee	No of s	eats	Seat Allocations and Appointments 2015/2016		
	Cllrs	Ind			
1. Audit	9	1	Guidance from the external auditor is that Executive Members should not be members of Audit Committee Councillors:		
Committee			Lab 6	Con 2	Lib Dem/Ind 1
2. West Pennine	2	0	Councillors:		
Moors Joint			Lab	Con	
Committee			2	0	
			Southworth Vacancy		

3. Health & Wellbeing	2	9	Councillors:	
Board			Lab Con	
			2	
			(Cabinet-Member For Health and Wellbeing and Deputy Cabinet Member for Healthier Living	
			Core Voting Members:	
			A nominated representative from B3SDA – Dave Bevitt Executive Director of Health and Wellbeing Executive Director of Children's Services Director of Health Two nominated representatives from the GP Clinical Commissioning Group – Dr Audrey Gibson (Chair) and Stuart North	
			A nominated representative from the Local Healthwatch A nominated representative from the Community Safety Partnership – Superintendant Mark Granby	
			Non Voting Members:	
			A nominated representative of the National Commissioning Board – Rob Bellingham	

TOWNSHIP FORUMS

NOTE: Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chairs to take place at the first meetings of the Forums for the 2015/2016 Municipal Year.

BURY EAST:

Councillors Cassidy, Walmsley, Sarah Southworth, Haroon, Tariq, Kelly, Stella Smith, Holt, Connolly.

BURY WEST:

Councillors Susan Southworth, Kerrison, Hankey, Roy Walker, Nuttall, Harris

RAMSBOTTOM, TOTTINGTON AND NORTH MANOR

Fitzwalter, Bevan, Hodkinson, Gunther, Daly, Hussain, Carter, Gartside, Wright

RADCLIFFE

Briggs, Lewis, Jamie Walker, Isherwood, Shori, Skillen, Daisy Bailey, Parnell, Preston

WHITEFIELD AND UNSWORTH

Wiseman, Mallon, Caserta, FitzGerald, Whitby, Matthews, Jones, Adams, Grimshaw

PRESTWICH

Black, O'Brien, Noel Bayley, Simpson, Quinn, James, Heneghan, Pickstone, D'Albert

APPENDIX E

APPOINTMENTS TO GREATER MANCHESTER JOINT AUTHORITIES 2015/2016

	Appointees 2014/2015	Appointees 2015/2016	Notes	
Joint Authority	Councillor	Councillor		
Fire and Rescue	Matthews*		Political balance rules do not apply -	
	S Smith		appointment of less than 3 reps	
Transport for Greater Manchester Committee	N Bayley*		Political balance rules do not apply appointment of less than 3 reps	
	Grimshaw		appointment of less than 5 reps	
Police	Lewis*		Membership must reflect political balance of GM area	
Waste Disposal	Cummings*		Political balance rules do not apply -	
	Quinn		appointment of less than 3 reps	

^{*}Denotes Spokespersons to answer questions at Council meetings.