

GOSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL

BOARD/COMMITTEE:	ANNUAL COUNCIL
DATE OF MEETING:	10 June 2020
TITLE:	REVIEW OF COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMITTEE AND DETERMINATION OF ALLOCATION OF SEATS
AUTHOR:	BOROUGH SOLICITOR
STATUS:	FOR DECISION

PURPOSE

To advise the Council of the balance of the seats on the Council and the position with regard to Political Groups and to undertake a review in accordance with the "Proportionality Rules" of the balance of seats on the Boards and Committees of the Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council approve:

1. The allocation of seats on the Boards and Committee as set out in paragraph 3.1

1.0 REVIEW OF COUNCIL BOARDS AND SUB-BOARDS

- 1.1 The Council previously reviewed the allocation of seats and made a determination as to the allocation between the Political Groups at the Annual Council Meeting on 10 June 2020.

2.0 PROPORTIONALITY RULES

- 2.1 Currently notices have been received from 3 Political Groups.
- 2.2 Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 requires the Council to review the allocation of seats and when making allocation of seats to Political Groups allocations are made to give effect so far as reasonably practicable to the following principles:
 1. That not all the seats are allocated to the same Political Group;
 2. That the majority of seats are allocated to the Political Group having a majority of seats on the Council;
 3. That subject to 1 and 2 above the number of seats on the total of all Boards and Committees of the Council allocated to each

Political Group bears the same proportion to the proportion on the Council;

4. That subject to all the above the number of seats on each Board and Committee allocated to each Political Group bears the same proportion to the proportion on the Council

- 2.3 The Community Board agreed to the introduction of a Climate Change Board and a Housing Board will have 6 Boards and one Committee; and there will be 102 seats to be allocated as set out in paragraph 2.2 above.

	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrats	TOTAL
Members	18	2	14	34
Proportion	52.94%	5.88%	41.18%	100%
Seats	54	6	42	102

3.0 PROPOSED ALLOCATION – BOARDS, STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

- 3.1 The proposed allocation of seats is set out below.

	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrats	TOTAL
Policy and Organisation	8	1	6	15
Community	8	1	6	15
Economic Development	8	1	6	15
Housing	8	1	6	15
Climate Change	8	1	6	15
Regulatory	8	1	6	15
Standards and Governance Committee	6		6	12
TOTAL	54	6	42	102

- 3.2 This proposed allocation gives effect to the principles set out in paragraph 2.2 above

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Financial Services Comments:	Nil
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Legal Services Comments:	As indicated in Section 2
Crime and Disorder:	Not applicable
Equality and Diversity:	Not applicable
Service Improvement Plan implications:	Nil
Corporate Plan:	Nil
Risk Assessment:	Nil
Background Papers:	Council Meeting 16 May 2019
Appendices/Enclosures:	None
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