

## ALLOCATION OF COMMITTEE PLACES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLITICAL BALANCE RULES 2011/12

GROUP	SEATS ON COUNCIL	%SEATS	NO COMMITTEE PLACES
Labour	28	42.42	36 (36.13)
Lib Dem	23	34.85	30 (29.68)
Conservative	11	16.67	14 (14.19)
UKIP	1	1.52	0
Conservative Ind .1	1	1.52	0
Conservative Ind .2	1	1.52	0
Conservative Ind .3	1	1.52	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>80</b>

### ENTITLEMENT TO FORMAL SEATS:

COMMITTEE	PLACES	LABOUR	LIB DEM	CONSERVATIVE
Audit & Governance	10	4	4 (Chair)	2
Licensing & Reg	15	7	5 (Chair)	3
Planning	15	7 (Chair)	5	3
O & S Children's Services	10	5 (Chair)	4	1
O & S Health & Soc Care	10	4	4 (Chair)	2
O & S Performance & Corporate Services	10	5 (Chair)	4	1
O & S Regeneration and Environmental	10	4	4	2 (Chair)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>14</b>

### **ENTITLEMENT TO OTHER COMMITTEE PLACES:**

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>PLACES</b>	<b>LABOUR</b>	<b>LIB DEM</b>	<b>CONSERVATIVE</b>
Committee Chairs*	7	3	3	1
Cabinet	10	4	4	2
Licensing Urgent Referral	3	1	1	1
Pay and Grading Committee	6	3	2	1
Planning Urgent Referral	3	1	1	1
Standards (Ind Chair)	6	3	2	1
LJCC	12	5	5	2
JCC Teachers	9	4	3	2

### **Note**

Committee places are allocated on a proportionate basis to Political Groups in accordance with the political balance requirement of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. These are referred to above as 'entitlement to formal seats'. The list headed 'entitlement to other Committee places' is normally allocated in accordance with the Council's Political Conventions.

### **Committee Chairs\***

Under the Council's Political Conventions, the Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee should not be from the same Party as the Leader of the Council and on the recommendation of Dr. Snape, that the largest Party should not hold the majority of Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairs. In addition there is a statutory requirement that the Chair of the Standards Committee must be an Independent Member.

Within these constraints it has been an accepted convention that the Chairs of Committees are appointed proportionately in accordance with the overall political balance of the Council.