City Council



| Date of meeting: | 30 January 2023 |
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| Title of Report: | Political Proportionality |
| Lead Strategic Director: | Giles Perritt (Assistant Chief Executive) |
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| Your Reference: | AC.22/23(1) |
| Key Decision: | No |
| Confidentiality: | Part I - Official |

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of changes to the political proportionality of the Council and allocation of committee seats.

The allocation of seats on committees is in line with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1989 and will require a simple majority to be approved.

Recommendations and Reasons

That Council approves the proportionality following changes to the political composition of the Council.

Reason: To maintain clarity of the Council's committee structure and membership

Alternative options considered and rejected

None. The Council is required to conduct proportionality reviews under Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Clarity on appointments to committees ensures that key projects and activities can be progressed in line with the Corporate and Plymouth Plans.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

None arising directly from this report.

Financial Implications:

None arising directly from this report.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

None arising directly from this report.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

None arising directly from this report.

Appendices

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Background papers:

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| Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Giles Perritt (Assistant Chief Executive) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date agreed: 20/01/2023 | | | | | | | | | | | |