

## **Manchester City Council Report for Resolution**

**Report to:** Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 15 May 2018

**Subject:** Membership of Committees 2018/19 and the Appointment of Chairs of Committees

**Report of:** The Acting City Solicitor

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### **Purpose of report**

The Constitutional and Nomination Committee is asked to make recommendations to the Council about the size and composition of the Council's committees and to appoint chairs and deputy chairs of the committees detailed in this report.

### **Recommendations**

The Committee is asked to make recommendations to Council about:

1. The size of the Council's committees;
  2. The appointment of members to serve on the various committees listed in the report;
  3. The appointment of members to serve as chairs of scrutiny committees, chairs of non executive committees, and the deputy chairs of the Planning and Highways Committee, and the Licensing and the Licensing and Appeals Committees;
  4. The appointment of a member for the purpose of answering questions at Council on the work of the Standards Committee, in accordance with Article 9 of the Council Constitution.
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## **Background documents**

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy please contact one of the contact officers above.

- Section 15-17, Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- The Local Government (Committee and Political Groups) Regulations 1989.
- Health and Social Care Act 2012
- Council Constitution.

## Background

1. Government regulations require the Council to appoint membership of its committees in accordance with the principles of political balance as far as reasonably practicable. The principles of political balance are summarised below:
  - a. If there is more than one political group represented at a council, then seats on any committee cannot be allocated to only one political group;
  - b. that the majority of seats on the relevant committee are allocated to the majority group on the council;
  - c. Subject to (a) and (b), the total number of seats on all of the Council's committees are allocated between political groups in proportion to each group's representation on the Council;
  - d. Subject to (a), (b) and (c), the seats on each individual committee or sub-committee are allocated between the political groups in proportion to each group's membership of the Council, and
  - e. where councillors are not members of a group, they are appointed to any seats which are left unallocated.

## Political Balance

This report has been prepared on the basis of the following calculation of the political balance of the Council's members.

Labour 96  
Liberal Democrat 2

2. Government regulations require the Council to appoint membership of its committees in accordance with the principles of political balance as far as reasonably practicable. Due to the composition of the Council after the election, there are no restrictions to the number of seats on each committee. Details of the suggested number of available seats on each committee are included below. The Committee is asked to make recommendations to the Council about the membership of these committees.

Art Galleries [14 elected members and 7 co-opted members]  
Audit Committee [9 elected members and 2 co-opted members]  
Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee [14 members and 7 co-opted members]  
Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee [14 members]  
Constitutional and Nomination Committee [9 members]  
Economy Scrutiny Committee [14 members]  
Health Scrutiny Committee [14 members]  
Licensing and Appeals Committee [15 members]

Licensing Committee [15 members]  
Licensing Policy Committee [6 members]  
Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee [14 members]  
Personnel Committee [10 members] - Membership formula comprises the Leader of the Council (or a Deputy) the 6 Executive Members and the Assistant Executive Member (Finance and Human Resources)  
Planning and Highways Committee [15 members]  
Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee [14 members]  
Standards Committee [6 elected members, 1 Parish member, 2 Independent people]  
Standing Executive Consultative Panel [6 Assistant Executive Members].

### **Other Committees**

3. Some of the Council's committees are subject to specific rules about membership. These details are included below. The Committee is asked to make recommendations to Council about the membership of these committees.

### **Employee Appeals Committee**

4. The composition of the Committee was amended in October 2013 to consist of the following structure:
  - the Executive Member with a relevant portfolio (i.e. Executive Member for the service in which the employee was working or the Executive Member with a portfolio relevant to the specific subject area of the appeal) or an appropriate Assistant Executive Member,
  - and two members drawn from drawn from the Council's Executive Members or the Assistant Executive Members, or elected members drawn from a prescribed 'pool' of 15 members.
5. The Constitutional and Nomination Committee is asked to confirm this composition and agree the members in the prescribed pool.

### **Health and Wellbeing Board**

6. The membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board comprises of councillors as well as NHS and council officers. The membership was agreed at the meeting of Council on 27 March 2013 and subsequent amendments have been agreed through the Constitutional and Nomination Committee and the Council.
7. Following a previous review of the governance structure of the Board, the membership of the Board is set out below. The Board has also agreed that each member should have a named substitute. Proposals for further changes to the Board's membership are likely later in the year to reflect the establishment of the Manchester Local Care Organisation.

Name	Title	Organisation
Sir Richard Leese (Chair)	Leader of the Council	Manchester City Council
Cllr Bev Craig	Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing	Manchester City Council
Cllr Sue Murphy	Deputy Leader	Manchester City Council
TBC	Executive Member for Children's Services	Manchester City Council
Dr Carolyn Kus	Director of Adult Social Care Services (DASS)	Manchester City Council
Paul Marshall	Strategic Director of Children's Services	Manchester City Council
David Regan	Director of Public Health	Manchester City Council
Dr Philip Burns	Chair	Manchester Health and Care Commissioning
Dr Manisha Kumar	Clinical Director	Manchester Health and Care Commissioning
Dr Denis Colligan	GP Member (North)	Manchester Health and Care Commissioning
Dr Faizan Ahmed	GP Member (Central)	Manchester Health and Care Commissioning
Dr Ruth Bromley	GP Member (South)	Manchester Health and Care Commissioning
Dr Claire Singleton	LMC Primary Care Representative	Local Medical Committee (LMC)
Kathy Cowell	Chair	Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Jim Potter	Chair	Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust
Rupert Nicholls	Chair	Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust
Mike Wilde	Chief Executive	Voluntary and Community Sector Representative, Manchester Alliance Community Care (MACC)
Vicky Szulist	Chair	Manchester Healthwatch

### Standards Committee

- The Standards Committee consists of six councillors, 2 co-opted members and 1 member from Ringway Parish Council. The committee is asked to agree the membership for 2018/19.

### Chairs and Deputy Chairs

- The Committee is asked to recommend the appointment of the chairs of the

following scrutiny committees, and the committees discharging non executive functions.

Art Galleries Committee  
Audit Committee  
Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee  
Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee  
Constitutional and Nomination Committee  
Economy Scrutiny Committee  
Health Scrutiny Committee  
Licensing and Appeals Committee  
Licensing Committee  
Licensing Policy Committee  
Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee  
Planning and Highways Committee  
Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee  
Standards Committee (this should be an independent member of the committee)

### **Deputy Chairs**

10. The Committee is asked to recommend the appointment of the Deputy Chair of the Planning and Highways Committee, the Licensing Committee, and the Licensing and Appeals Committee.

### **Standards Committee: Article 9 Appointment**

11. The Committee is asked to recommend the appointment of a member for the purpose of answering questions at Council about the work of the Standards Committee, in accordance with Article 9 of the Council's Constitution.