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# **Merton Council**

## **Council**

**7 July 2021**

### **Supplementary Agenda 2**

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## Committee: Council

Date: 7 July 2021

### Subject: Changes to Membership of Committees and related matters – Updated Report 6 July 2021

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#### Recommendations:

That the Council:

1. Approves the appointment of nominations to Committees and outside bodies as set out in Appendices A-C.
  2. Notes the changes to the membership of Committees that were approved under delegated authority since the last meeting of the Council.
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#### 1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report seeks Council's approval for appointments to committee places following changes to memberships made by the Conservative group detailed in appendices A-C and asks Council to note the changes made to committee memberships under delegated authority since the publication of the agenda for the last ordinary Council meeting on 3 February 2021.

#### 2 DETAILS

- 2.1. The following membership changes have been made by the Chief Executive under their delegated authority in accordance with section 1.4 of part 3F of the Constitution:

Committee	Member resigning	Replaced by	Date
Overview & Scrutiny Commission	NA	Cllr David Chung - substitute	28 April 2021
South London Waste Partnership	Cllr Michael Brunt	Cllr Natasha Irons	12 May 2021
Borough Plan Advisory Committee	NA	Cllr Helena Dollimore - substitute	22 May 2021
Children and Young People Overview & Scrutiny Panel	NA	Cllr Sally Kenny – substitute	22 May 2021

Healthier Communities & Older People Overview & Scrutiny Panel	Cllr David Chung	Cllr Helena Dollimore	22 May 2021
Healthier Communities & Older People Overview & Scrutiny Panel	NA	Cllr David Chung - substitute	22 May 2021
Overview & Scrutiny Commission	Cllr Joan Henry	Cllr Sally Kenny	22 May 2021
Overview & Scrutiny Commission	NA	Cllr Joan Henry – substitute	22 May 2021
Healthier Communities & Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Cllr Thomas Barlow	Cllr Nick McLean	21 June 2021
Healthier Communities & Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Cllr Nick McLean	Cllr Thomas Barlow	23 June 2021
Planning Applications Committee	Cllr Stephen Alambritis	Cllr John Dehaney	24 June 2021
Planning Applications Committee	Cllr Nick Draper	Cllr Laxmi Attawar	24 June 2021
Standards and General Purposes Committee	Cllr Nick Draper	Cllr Sally Kenny	28 June 2021

### **3 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED**

3.1 None for the purposes of this report.

### **4 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1. None for the purposes of this report.

### **5 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1. The information regarding membership changes in this report complies with legal and statutory requirements. Council is required to accept nominations made by political groups.

5.2. The Housing and Local Government Act 1989 contains provisions relating to the political balance on committees, the duty to allocate seats to political groups and the duty to give effect to allocations.

5.3. The Council has a statutory duty to review the representations of different political groups on the Council in order to ensure that a political balance is secured on council committees so as to reflect the overall political composition of the council.

- 5.4. Once the review has been completed there is a second statutory duty to make a determination as to political representation. The requirement to allocate seats must be made in accordance with the following statutory principles:
- a) All of the seats are not to be allocated to the same political group.
  - b) The majority of the seats must be allocated to the political group with a majority on the Council.
  - c) Subject to the two principles listed above, the number of seats on the total of all the ordinary committees of the Council allocated to each political group must bear the same proportion to that on full Council.
  - d) Subject to the above three principles, the number of seats on each ordinary committee of the Council allocated to each political group must bear the same proportion to their proportion on the full Council.

## **6 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1. None for the purposes of this report.

## **7 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1. None for the purposes of this report.

## **8 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1. N/A

## **9 APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT**

- 9.1 None.

## **10 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Documents from the authorised officer confirming approval of the membership changes agreed under delegated authority.

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COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND SCRUTINY BODIES

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
<p>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMISSION (10 seats + 4 voting Co-opted Members) Substitutes allowed</p>		<p>Cllr Nicholas McLean</p> <p>Cllr Thomas Barlow</p> <p>Substitutes:</p> <p>Cllr David Williams</p> <p>Cllr Omar Bush</p>		
<p>HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES AND OLDER PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY (8 seats) Substitutes allowed</p>		<p>Cllr Janice Howard Vice Chair</p> <p>Cllr Nigel Benbow</p> <p>Substitutes:</p> <p>Cllr Andrew Howard</p> <p>Cllr Oonagh Moulton</p>		

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (10 seats) Substitutes allowed		Cllr Hayley Ormrod Vice Chair  Cllr James Holmes Cllr Omar Bush  Substitutes:  Cllr Thomas Barlow Cllr Andrew Howard		
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (6 seats) Substitutes allowed		Cllr Daniel Holden Vice Chair  Cllr David Dean  Substitutes  Cllr Edward Gretton Cllr Nigel Benbow		
BOROUGH PLAN ADVISORY PANEL (6 seats) Substitutes allowed, no Cabinet members		Cllr Najeeb Latif		



COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (10 seats) No substitutes		Cllr Nicholas McLean Cllr Oonagh Moulton Cllr David Simpson		
HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD (3 seats plus officers, statutory and non-statutory representatives) Proportionality does not apply		Cllr Oonagh Moulton		

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
STANDARDS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (12 seats plus 2 Independent Persons)  Substitutes allowed		Cllr Adam Bush Vice Chair  Cllr David Williams Cllr Andrew Howard  Substitute  Cllr Nicholas McLean Cllr Omar Bush		
<b>JOINT HEALTH COMMITTEES</b>				
SOUTH WEST LONDON AND SURREY JOINT HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (JHOSC) (2 seat) Substitutes allowed		Cllr Janice Howard Substitute: Cllr Andrew Howard		
<b>REGULATORY AND QUASI JUDICIAL BODIES</b>				
APPEALS COMMITTEE (6 seats)		Cllr Oonagh Moulton		
JOINT REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE (2 seats) Proportionality does not apply				

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
LICENSING COMMITTEE (Licensing Act and Gambling Act purposes) (12 seats) No substitutes		Cllr David Simpson (Vice Chair)  Cllr Janice Howard Cllr Nigel Benbow Cllr Oonagh Moulton		
LICENSING COMMITTEE (Miscellaneous) (12 Seats) No substitutes	Membership as for Licensing Committee			
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (of above committee) (3 seats)	Any 3 members of the Licensing Committee			
PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE (10 seats plus 1 Independent non-voting co-opted member to be appointed by the Planning Committee) Substitutes allowed		Cllr Stephen Crowe Vice Chair  Cllr David Dean  Substitutes Cllr Najeeb Latif  Cllr Ed Gretton		

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**APPENDIX B**

**CONSTITUTION OF CONSULTATIVE FORUMS AND OTHER BODIES AND ALLOCATION OF SEATS TO GROUPS**

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
<b>COMMUNITY FORUMS – appointment of Chair</b>				
COLLIERS WOOD COMMUNITY FORUM				
MITCHAM COMMUNITY FORUM				
MORDEN COMMUNITY FORUM				
RAYNES PARK COMMUNITY FORUM NB. local arrangements in respect of this forum put in place additional meetings with the Chair rotated and drawn from the four wards covered	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
WIMBLEDON COMMUNITY FORUM	N/A	Cllr James Holmes (Chair)		
CORPORATE PARENTING STEERING GROUP (2 seats Cabinet Member for Young People & Opposition member on CYP Scrutiny) No substitutes		Cllr Hayley Ormrod		

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
<p>MERTON HERITAGE FORUM (5 seats plus representatives of local conservation areas and regional/national organisations) – Substitutes allowed</p>		<p>Cllr Najeeb Latif  Substitute: Cllr David Dean</p>		
<p>JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE WITH ETHNIC MINORITY ORGANISATIONS (5 seats plus representatives of Merton's ethnic minority organisations) Substitutes allowed</p>		<p>Cllr Omar Bush  Substitute: Cllr Adam Bush</p>		
<p>MEMBERS' SCHOOL STANDARDS PANEL (3 seats + 1 substitute)</p>		<p>Cllr James Holmes</p>		
<p>PENSION FUND INVESTMENT ADVISORY PANEL (3 seats)</p>		<p>Cllr Adam Bush (Vice Chair)</p>		

COMMITTEE	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (3 seats plus representatives of Christian and other denominations and teacher associations) No substitutes	Note – SACRE elects its own chair	Cllr Hayley Ormrod		

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ORGANISATION	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
Compact Working Group (2 seats)		Cllr Oonagh Moulton		
Newable Limited (formerly Greater London Enterprise) (1 seat)				
Local Government Association (4 Seats)		Cllr Nicholas McLean		
LGIU – Local Government Information Unit (To be appointed by the Executive Leader of the Council)				
London Councils – Greater London Employment forum (1 Seat) (To be appointed by the Executive Leader of the Council)	Substitute:			
London Councils Leaders’ Committee (1 Seat) (To be appointed by the Executive Leader of the Council)	Substitute :			

ORGANISATION	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
London Councils Transport and Environment Committee (1 Seat) (To be appointed by the Executive Leader of the Council)	Substitute:			
London Councils Grants Committee (1 Seat) (To be appointed by the Executive Leader of the Council)	Substitute:			
London Councils Pensions CIV (Common Investment Vehicle) (Sectoral) Joint Committee (1 seat and 2 substitutes)	Substitutes:			
London Road Safety Council (2 seats plus accident prevention officer)		Cllr Daniel Holden		
London Youth Games (1 seat)				

ORGANISATION	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	MERTON PARK IR
Merton Community Panel (Clarion Housing) (2 seats)  (2 Seats )		Cllr Nigel Benbow		
Merton and Sutton Joint Cemetery Board (5 Seats)		Cllr David Williams		
Mitcham Common Conservators (4 Seats )		Cllr David Dean		
North East Surrey Crematorium Board (3 Seats)		Cllr Nigel Benbow		
Pollards Hill Community Committee (3 Seats)				

Safer Merton		Cllr David Simpson		
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Council, 7 July 2021

Conservative Amendment to Agenda item 16: PlanWimbledon's application to be a neighbourhood forum for their proposed neighbourhood area of Wimbledon

Recommendations: That, following consideration by Merton's Borough Plan Advisory Committee and Cabinet, council

A. Notes the consultation responses to the publication of the PlanWimbledon neighbourhood area and forum applications.

B. ~~Refuses~~ Approves PlanWimbledon's application to be as a neighbourhood forum.

C. ~~Declines to determine~~ Approves PlanWimbledon's Neighbourhood Area application, ~~because, following the refusal of the neighbourhood forum application, there would be no organisation that is capable of being designated as a neighbourhood forum in relation to it.~~

D. Encourages and supports further dialogue between PlanWimbledon and the business community towards resolving the issues identified in this report.

Recommendations now to read:

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A. Notes the consultation responses to the publication of the PlanWimbledon neighbourhood area and forum applications.

B. Approves PlanWimbledon's application to be a neighbourhood forum.

C Approves PlanWimbledon's Neighbourhood Area application.

D. Encourages and supports further dialogue between PlanWimbledon and the business community towards resolving the issues identified in this report.

Cllr Nick McLean   Cllr Daniel Holden   Cllr Ed Gretton

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