

MEMBER APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED BY ANNUAL COUNCIL ON 18 JUNE 2009

Committee, Sub-Committee, Panel, etc.	Total No. of Councillors (substitutes in brackets)	Conservative	Liberal Democrat	Independent
A. PROPORTIONAL BODIES				
A1. 'Ordinary' Committees (proportional)				
Note: A simple proportional allocation to each committee would produce the following political balance, but would not achieve the required overall balance of Conservative 83, Liberal Democrat 17 and Independent 1 (see paragraph 10 of the covering report).				
Business Transformation OSC	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
Children, Families & Learning OSC	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
Corporate Resources OSC	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
Social Care, Health & Housing OSC	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
Sustainable Communities OSC	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
Audit	7 (4)	6 (3)	1 (1)	0
Development Management	18 (10)	15 (8)	3 (2)	0
General Purposes	7 (4)	6 (3)	1 (1)	0
Licensing	12 (6)	10 (5)	2 (1)	0
Regulation	12 (6)	10 (5)	2 (1)	0
Total	101 (55)	82 (44)	19 (11)	0

Notes:

1. Overview and Scrutiny Committees (OSCs) **must not** include in their membership (a) any members of the Executive; or (b) any member who is appointed to assist a Portfolio Holder if the particular OSC's terms of reference cover any portfolio with which he/she assists.
2. Unless the Council were to decide otherwise, with no Member voting against, the Conservative group will require a majority of all the seats, including co-opted member seats, on the Children, Families and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee (see paragraph 2 of the covering report).
3. Council will also need to confirm the appointment to the Children, Families and Learning OSC of the one parent governor representative and two church representatives who were appointed to the Scrutiny Committee by Shadow Council on 26 February 2009. Nominations have been sought for an additional two parent governor representatives and any nominees will be reported to the Council for formal appointment.
4. The Audit Committee membership **may not** include (a) any member of the Executive; or (b) more than one member of an overview and scrutiny committee other than the Corporate Resources OSC.
5. The General Purposes Committee **must** include at least one Executive member.
6. The membership of the Licensing and Regulation Committees **must** be the same.

A2. Joint Committee (proportional but not part of the overall seat allocation)

Wixams Joint Development Control	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
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Note: Appointments to the Wixams Joint Development Control Committee are, as far as practicable, to reflect political balance within the Council.

A3. Other Council Bodies (proportional but not part of the overall seat allocation)				
Appeals Panel	9 (5)	7 (4)	2 (1)	0
Appointments Panel (appointed by General Purposes Committee)	5 (3)	4 (2)	1 (1)	0
Corporate Parenting Panel	8 (0)	7 (0)	1 (0)	0
Employee Partnership Committee (appointed by General Purposes Committee)	7 (4)	6 (3)	1 (1)	0
JCNC for Primary and Secondary Education (appointed by General Purposes Committee)	7 (4)	6 (3)	1 (1)	0
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)	5 (0)	4 (0)	1 (0)	0
<p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Members of the Appeals Panel will be appointed as required to individual Appeals Committees, each comprising 3-5 councillors appointed in accordance with political balance. Members of the Appointments Panel will be appointed as required to individual Appointments Sub-Committees, which will normally comprise 3 Panel Members (2 Conservative, 1 Liberal Democrat), with the addition of the relevant Portfolio Holder for the appointment to be made. A Sub-Committee must include at least one Executive Member. The membership of the Corporate Parenting Panel must include the Portfolio Holder for Children, Families and Learning and a member of the Social Care, Health and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee. As reported to the Shadow Executive on 17 March 2009, the Panel will be accountable to the Children, Families and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Employee Partnership Committee must include at least one Executive member. 				

5. The Joint Consultative and Negotiating Committee (JCNC) for Primary and Secondary Education **must** include at least one Executive member.
6. Members appointed to the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) should have an interest in collective worship and religious education, as required by its constitution.

B. NON-PROPORTIONAL BODIES

B1. Other Committees and Sub-Committees (non-proportional)

Executive	3-10 (0)	
Standards	5 (0)	
Licensing Sub-Committee (appointed by Licensing Committee)	3 (subs: see note 3)	

Notes:

1. The Executive does not have to comply with political balance rules. It will comprise the Leader of the Council and other members appointed by the Leader.
2. Member appointments to the Standards Committee (and its sub-committees) do not have to comply with political balance rules, but have included a minority party member in all three predecessor authorities. Appointments of 5 Independent and 5 Town/Parish Council members have already been made until the elections to be held in 2011.
3. Whilst political balance is not required for the Licensing Sub-Committee, where practicable the members should be drawn from more than one political group. Any named member of the Licensing Committee may substitute.

B2. Joint Committees (non-proportional)

Dunstable Town Centre Management	5 (0)	
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Houghton Regis Town Centre Management	4 (0)	
Leighton-Linslade Town Centre Management	5 (0)	
Luton & South Bedfordshire Joint (Section 29) (see note 5)	6 (6)	
Luton & South Bedfordshire Joint (Section 101)	3 (3)	

Notes:

1. Dunstable Town Centre Management Committee (TCMC) **must** comprise **either** (a) Executive members or (b) members for a Dunstable ward. Under the regulations for joint committees whose role covers less than two-fifths of the Council's total area or population, political balance rules do not apply.
2. Houghton Regis TCMC members **must** comprise **either** (a) Executive members or (b) members for a Houghton Regis ward. Likewise, political balance rules do not apply.
3. Leighton-Linslade TCMC members **must** comprise **either** (a) Executive members or (b) members for a Leighton-Linslade ward. Likewise, political balance rules do not apply.
4. The Luton and South Bedfordshire Joint Committee (Section 29 Committee) **must** include (a) at least 4 Executive members; and (b) up to 2 non-executive members, who will normally include the Chairman of Development Management Committee. The membership is non-proportional as it includes no more than 2 non-executive members (otherwise political balance rules would apply to the non-executive membership).
5. The Luton and South Bedfordshire Joint Committee (Section 101 Committee) **must** comprise three of the Executive members appointed to the Section 29 Committee and is therefore non-proportional.

B3. Other Panels and Informal Bodies requiring Council Appointments (non-proportional)

Joint Adoption Panel	1 (0)	
Fostering Panel	1 (0)	
Fostering Permanence Panel	1 (0)	
Constitution Advisory Group	4 ()	
Member Development Champions	7 ()	

Notes:

1. One member of the Corporate Parenting Panel **must** be appointed to **each of** the Joint Adoption Panel, the Fostering Panel and the Fostering Permanence Panel (the latter otherwise referred to as the Permanence Panel).
2. The Constitution Advisory Group currently comprises 4 members (3 Conservative and 1 Liberal Democrat) and one substitute (Conservative).
3. The Member Development Champions currently comprise Group Leaders, the Deputy Leader of the Council, the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Cllr R Stay.

B.4 Other Committees & Sub-Committees to be appointed ad hoc as required (for information only)

Standards Sub-Committees (to be appointed by the Monitoring Officer (MO) as required from the membership of the Standards Committee):

Initial Assessment	1	
Review	1	
Hearings	1	

Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees are to be appointed by MO as required from the membership of the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee, in consultation with the Chairman & Vice-Chairman of that Committee. Appointments are subject to (a) the political balance rules if more than 2 members are appointed; and (b) subsequent report to Council for information in any event.

In accordance with the requirement for subsequent report to Council, Members are asked to note that a Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, comprising four members from each of Bedford Borough Council and Central Bedfordshire Council, was appointed in April 2009 to scrutinise the draft NHS Bedfordshire Strategy. Its current members are Councillors Alan Carter, Mike Gibson, Mrs Susan Goodchild and Steve Male.

B5. Other Bodies (for information only)

The Central Bedfordshire Shadow Executive has already approved the appointment of the Portfolio Holder for Children, Families and Learning to the following bodies:

- Admissions Forum
- Schools Forum (non-voting)
- Children's Trust Board.

Under proposed new government guidance, the Portfolio Holder should also be appointed to the Local Safeguarding Children Board.

Appointments of local authority school governors do not have to be proportional, but it has been customary for them to be made by the political groups so as broadly to reflect (a) the overall strength of each group on the (former County) Council and (b) wherever possible, the political representation in particular wards. The post-election political balance, would imply appointments by the two main political groups to the 324 available school governor places in the proportion of roughly Conservative 269 (83%), Liberal Democrat 55 (17%).

Member appointments to outside bodies more generally are dealt with in a separate report.