

STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL

19 MAY 2022

Report Title	APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES
Purpose of Report	To update the allocation of seats in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and appoint Councillors to committees with effect from 19 May 2022.
Decision(s)	The Council RESOLVES to appoint Councillors to the committees and positions set out in the report.
Consultation and Feedback	The proposed appointments have been subject to consultation with Group Leaders.
Legal Implications	The Council is required to appoint Councillors to committees in accordance with the proportionality rules.
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Options	Members may make alternative nominations to the places available on committees subject to compliance with the allocation rules.
Appendices	Appendix 1 – tables of nominations received

1. **Political Composition:** The Council consists of a number of political groupings. The various groups comprise the following Members.

Conservative Group Councillors (19)		
Jason Bullingham	Nick Housden	Lorraine Patrick
Gordan Craig	Nick Hurst	Keith Pearson
Stephen Davies	Julie Job	Mark Ryder
Trina Davis	Haydn Jones	Haydn Sutton
Chris Evans	John Jones	Brian Tipper
Victoria Gray	David Mossman	
Lindsey Green	Gill Oxley	
Labour & Cooperative Group Councillors (15)		
Paula Baker	Helen Fenton	Jenny Miles
Natalie Bennett	Colin Fryer	Nigel Prenter
Chris Brine	Jessie Hoskin	Steve Robinson
Doina Cornell	Trevor Hall	Mattie Ross
Laurie Davies	Robin Layfield	Ashley Smith

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SDC Liberal Democrat Group Councillors (3)		
George James	Ken Tucker	Rich Wilsher
Green Group Councillors (13)		
Beki Aldam	Jonathan Edmunds	Lucas Schoemaker
Martin Baxendale	Steve Hynd	Chloe Turner
Catherine Braun	Chris Jockel	Tricia Watson
Martin Brown	Norman Kay	
Kate Crews	Martin Percy	

Note: In addition to the above, there is one Independent Member, namely, Councillor Nigel Studdert-Kennedy (known as 'Conservative - No Group').

2. **Committees:** The committees which are subject to political balance requirements currently comprise the following.

Committee	No. of Members on the committee
Community Services & Licensing	12
Environment	13
Housing	12
Strategy and Resources	13
Audit & Standards	9
Development Control	12

3. **Allocations to committees subject to political balance requirements:** The seats on each committee must be allocated to each political group as required by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. On the basis of the existing committee structure, the allocations are as set out below.

Total no. of councillors 51	Conservative (19 Cllrs)	Labour (15 Cllrs)	Liberal Democrats (3 Cllrs)	Green (13 Cllrs)	Total seats available
Community Services & Licensing	4	4	1	3	12
Environment	5	3	1	4	13
Development Control	5	4	0	3	12
Strategy & Resources	5	4	1	3	13
Housing	4	5	0	3	12
Audit & Standards	4	2	1	2	9
Seats to be allocated per Group	27	22	4	18	71

- 3.2 Each political group was asked to provide its allocations for the committees. The nominations are shown in the tables in Appendix A to this report.

Nominations for Leader and Deputy Leader

Leader (Chair of Strategy and Resources Committee)	Deputy Leader (Vice- Chair of Strategy and Resources Committee)
	Catherine Braun

Nominations for committee membership

(a) Audit and Standards Committee (9 seats)				
Conservative (3 seats)	Labour (2 seats)	Lib Dem (1 seat)	Green (2 seats)	No Group (1 seat)
Keith Pearson	Paula Baker	Rich Wilsher	Martin Percy	Nigel Studdert-Kennedy
Stephen Davies	Steve Robinson		Norman Kay	
Nick Hurst				
(b) Community Services & Licensing Committee (12 seats)				
Conservative (4 seats)	Labour (4 seats)	Lib Dem (1 seat)	Green (3 seats)	No Group (0 seats)
John Jones	Chis Brine	Ken Tucker	Beki Aldam	
Gordon Craig	Jessie Hoskin		Kate Crews	
Julie Job	Nigel Prenter		Jonathan Edmunds	
Gill Oxley	Natalie Bennett			
(c) Development Control Committee (12 seats)				
NB. members must have attended the compulsory annual training before they may sit on the committee				
Conservative (5 seats)	Labour (4 seats)	Lib Dem (0 seats)	Green (3 seats)	No Group (0 seats)
Haydn Jones	Jenny Miles		Martin Baxendale	
Jason Bullingham	Chris Brine		Lucas Schoemaker	
Victoria Gray	Helen Fenton		Martin Brown	
Mark Ryder	Ashley Smith			
Lorraine Patrick				

(d) Environment Committee (13 seats)				
Conservative (5 seats)	Labour (3 seats)	Lib Dem (1 seat)	Green (4 seats)	No Group (0 seats)
Haydn Jones	Robin Layfield	George James	Chloe Turner	
Dave Mossman	Natalie Bennett		Norman Kay	
Brian Tipper	Ashley Smith		Martin Brown	
Haydn Sutton			Tricia Watson	
Christopher Evans				
(e) Housing Committee (12 seats)				
Conservative (4 seats)	Labour (5 seats)	Lib Dem (0 seats)	Green (3 seats)	No Group (0 seats)
Lindsey Green	Mattie Ross		Lucas Schoemaker	
Trina Davis	Paula Baker		Steve Hynd	
Nick Housden	Laurie Davies		Christopher Jockel	
Lorraine Patrick	Colin Fryer			
	Jenny Miles			
(f) Strategy and Resources Committee (13 seats)				
* Automatic appointment on basis of such councillors also being a Group Leader				
** These appointments are conditional on such councillors being appointed as the Chair of the Community Services & Licensing, Environment or Housing Committees.				
Conservative (5 seats)	Labour (4 seats)	Lib Dem (1 seat)	Green (3 seats)	No Group (0 seats)
Stephen Davies*	Doina Cornell*	Ken Tucker*	Catherine Braun*	
Nick Hurst	Chris Brine**		Chloe Turner**	
Gordon Craig	Mattie Ross**		Martin Percy	
Keith Pearson	Trevor Hall			
Nick Housden				

Nominations for Chair and Vice Chairs of Committees

(g) Audit and Standards Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
CHAIR				
				Nigel Studdert-Kennedy
VICE-CHAIR				
			Martin Pearcy	
(h) Community Services & Licensing Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
CHAIR				
	Chris Brine			
VICE-CHAIR				
			Beki Aldam	

(i) Development Control Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
CHAIR				
			Martin Baxendale	
VICE CHAIR				
	Helen Fenton			
(j) Environment Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
CHAIR				
			Chloe Turner	
VICE-CHAIR				
	Robin Layfield			

(k) Housing Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
CHAIR				
	Mattie Ross			
VICE-CHAIR				
			Lucas Schoemaker	
(l) Strategy and Resources Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
CHAIR				
	Leader of Council			
VICE CHAIR				
			Deputy Leader of Council	

Appointments to other bodies

(i) Health and Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
LEAD				
	Helen Fenton			
SUBSTITUTE				
	Natalie Bennett			

(ii) Gloucestershire Police and Crime Panel				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
LEAD				
			Martin Percy	
SUBSTITUTE				
	Chris Brine			

(iii) Gloucestershire Economic Growth Scrutiny Committee				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
LEAD				
			Chloe Turner	
SUBSTITUTE				
	Ashley Smith			

(iv) Gloucestershire Covid-19 Outbreak Engagement Board has been disbanded. Nominations are not required.

Appoint three Mental Health Champions

Mental Health Champions				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
Victoria Gray			Tricia Watson	

Appoint five Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Working Group

Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Working Group				
Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	No Group
Gill Oxley	Robin Layfield		Norman Kay	
	Natalie Bennett		Jonathan Edmunds	

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Appendix A

Appoint three Members, one Parish Council Representative and one Independent Person to the Standards Sub-Committee

- Chair of Audit and Standards Committee
- Vice-Chair of Audit and Standards Committee
- Chair of Constitution Working Group (Cllr Keith Pearson)
- Parish Council Representative (Muriel Bullock)
- Independent Person (Phyllida Pyper)

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