

**Allocation of Seats to Political Groups  
22 May, 2013**

**Introduction**

In the Council papers at Agenda Item No.9, paragraph 4.4, it was identified that further information would be submitted regarding the allocation of seats on committees to the respective political groups.

**Overall Situation**

Political Group	Cons	Lab	PIF	Lib Dem	Total
No. Elected	32	11	10	4	57
Proportionality %	56.14	19.30	17.54	7.02	100%
Entitlement (previous)	52	18	16	6	99
No. of Seats Allocated *	54	17	15	6	99

\* the seat allocation has to be adjusted to increase the Conservative entitlement to 54 seats, as s15 Local Government & Housing Act 1989 requires "that the majority of the seats on the body is allocated to a particular political group if the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the authority's membership"; that is, the Conservative members must be in the majority on each committee to which the political balance rules apply. The entitlement of the other parties is adjusted according to their proportional entitlement to the remaining seats.

**Current Seat Allocation for Politically Balanced Committees - which will be rolled forward unless any changes are tabled at the meeting**

Committees	Cons	Labour	PIF	Lib Dem	Total
Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities	4	1	1	1	7
Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues	4	2	1	0	7
Strong and Supportive Scrutiny Committee	4	2	1	0	7
Creating Opportunities Scrutiny Committee	4	1	1	1	7
Sustainable Growth & Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee	4	2	1	0	7
Employment Committee	4	1	1	1	7
Licensing Committee	6	1	2	1	10
Planning and Environmental Protection Committee	6	2	2	0	10
Planning Review Committee	6	2	1	1	10
Appeals Committee (Service Issues)	6	1	3	0	10
Joint Consultative Panel	4	1	1	1	7
Employment Appeals Sub Committee	2	1	0	0	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>92</b>

### Seat Allocation for exempt committee

Audit Committee	4	1	2	(1)	8
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### Seat Allocation for Other Committees

Committees	Cons	Lab	PIF	Lib Dem	Total
Health and Wellbeing Board	4	0	0	0	4
Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel	2	1	0	0	3