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COMMITTEE STRUCTURES AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S
FROM : Director of Governance
It is recommended that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The Council resolves to appoint the Committees listed in 2.2 below for the Municipal Year 2016/2017; and (b) That Council accepts the terms of reference of Committees as amended by Council on 27 January 2016 (the hybrid model).

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The Constitution provides under Part 4 Section 1.2.1 that the Annual Council meeting considers the establishment and terms of reference of Committees.
- 1.2 Full Council must consider its structure before seats can be allocated to committees in accordance with the political balance rules.

2. BACKGROUND - COMMITTEES

- 2.1 The background to the changes to the governance arrangements were reported to Council on 27 January 2016. Council agreed a hybrid model of executive decision-making and accordingly amended the Constitution relating the Council's scrutiny arrangements to take effect from the Annual meeting of the Council in May 2016.
- 2.2 The structure as agreed in January is as follows:

Committee
<p><u>Ordinary Committees subject to political balance seat allocations:</u></p> <p>Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee Adults, Communities and Health Scrutiny Committee Children and Education Scrutiny Committee Employment Committee Licensing Committee (Regulatory) Planning and Environmental Protection Committee Appeals Committee (Service Issues)</p> <p>Audit Committee Planning Review Committee</p>

Other bodies to which Section 15 LGHA does not apply

Health and Wellbeing Board
Licensing Committee (Licensing Act 2003)

Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel
Fire Authority

- 2.3 The current structure is in accordance with Part 4, Section 1 of the Constitution which states the Council must appoint at least one overview and scrutiny committee and such other committees as it considers appropriate to deal with the matters which are neither reserved to the Full Council nor are executive (Leader and Cabinet) functions.

3. IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Financial Comments: There are no direct financial consequences arising from the recommendations. The financial implications of the changes to the governance arrangements were reported to Council on 27 January 2016.
- 3.2 Legal Comments: There are no implications arising from these decisions.

4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 4.1 Peterborough City Council's Constitution.