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COMMITTEE STRUCTURE 2018/2019

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: <i>Interim Director of Law and Governance</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/A</i>
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Appoints the following Committees for the 2018/2019 municipal year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Ordinary Committees subject to political balance seat allocations:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee Adults and Communities Scrutiny Committee Health Scrutiny Committee Children and Education Scrutiny Committee Employment Committee Licensing Committee (Regulatory) Planning and Environmental Protection Committee Appeals and Planning Review Committee Audit Committee Corporate Parenting Committee Constitution and Ethics Committee <u>Other bodies to which Section 15 LGHA does not apply</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Wellbeing Board Licensing Committee (Licensing Act 2003) Agree the committee terms of reference set out in the Regulatory Committee Functions and the Overview and Scrutiny Functions (Appendix 1 and Appendix 2). 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

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

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

2.1 The proposed structures is as follows:

Committee
<u>Ordinary Committees subject to political balance seat allocations:</u> Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee Adults and Communities Scrutiny Committee Health Scrutiny Committee Children and Education Scrutiny Committee Employment Committee Licensing Committee (Regulatory) Planning and Environmental Protection Committee Appeals and Planning Review Committee Audit Committee Corporate Parenting Committee Constitution and Ethics Committee
<u>Other bodies to which Section 15 LGHA does not apply</u> Health and Wellbeing Board Licensing Committee (Licensing Act 2003)

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

2.3 At its meeting on 19 March 2018 the Health and Wellbeing Board recommended to amend the Board's terms of reference in order to delegate powers from the Council to the Health and Wellbeing Board to establish a joint Cambridgeshire and Peterborough sub-committee in relation to issues that cross local authority boundaries, if the need arises. This amendment is included in **Appendix 1**.

2.4 The addition of the Constitution and Ethics Committee is proposed to provide a separate forum for the consideration of constitution and ethics issues and to report into Council. The proposed terms of reference for this committee is included in **Appendix 1**. This would replace the current Governance Board working group and would take over responsibility for some functions currently within the Audit Committee remit.

3. **IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 There are no financial, legal, or equalities implications arising from these decisions.

4. **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

4.1 Peterborough City Council's Constitution

5. **APPENDICES**

5.1 **Appendix 1** – Peterborough City Council Constitution Part 3, Section 2 – Delegations – Regulatory Committee Functions

5.2 **Appendix 2** – Peterborough City Constitution Part 3, Section 4 – Overview and Scrutiny Functions