23 May 2018 ITEM: 9					
Annual Council					
Allocation of Committee seats and Committee appointments					
Wards and communities affected: Key Decision:					
None	Not Applicable				
Report of: Lyn Carpenter, Chief Execu	tive				
Accountable Assistant Director: David Lawson, Assistant Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer					
Accountable Director: Lyn Carpenter, Chief Executive					
This report is public.					

Executive Summary

This report requests the Council to confirm the calculations relating to the allocation of seats on committees and to appoint the nominations of political groups to committees. The report also requests the Council to appoint the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of certain committees.

- 1. Recommendation(s)
- 1.1 That the allocation of seats, as set out in Appendix 1, be approved.
- 1.2 That the nominations of the political groups to seats on committees be approved, as set out in Appendix 2 (to be tabled when nominations are received).
- 1.3 That the non-voting co-opted members of the Planning Committee, the Standards and Audit Committee, the Health and Well-being Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Corporate Parenting Committee be appointed, as set out in Appendix 2.
- 1.4 That the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of committees be appointed, as set out in Appendix 3 (to be tabled when nominations are received).

2. Introduction and Background

- 2.1 Political Groups on the Council are formed in accordance with the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 when two or more councillors notify the Chief Executive, as Proper Officer, of their wish to be treated as a group.
- 2.2 Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 imposes a duty on the local authority at the annual meeting, or as soon as possible after it, to review the allocation of seats on the committees of the Council between the political groups. The Council may carry out such a review and any other time and may do so if requested by a political group.
- 2.3 The following principles apply to the allocation of seats:
 - (a) That not all the seats on the body to which appointments are being made are allocated to the same political group;
 - (b) That the majority of seats on each committee are allocated to a particular group if the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the authority's membership;
 - (c) That, subject to (a) and (b), when allocating seats to a political group, the total number of their seats across all the ordinary committees of the Council, must reflect their proportion of the authority's membership; and
 - (d) Subject to (a) to (c), that the number of seats on each committee is as far as possible in proportion to the group's membership of the authority.
- 2.4 Sub-committees, with the exception of the Licensing Sub-Committee, are also governed by the political balance rules, but it is not necessary to add up all the sub-committee seats and then allocate them in proportion. As far as this is practicable, the allocation of seats on each sub-committee should reflect the proportional representation of the political groups on the Council.
- 2.5 The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 requires that, once the Council has determined the allocation of committee places between the political groups, the Council must then appoint the nominees of the political groups to the committees.
- 2.6 Any non-aligned members are to be appointed to available seats on committees by the Council.
- 2.7 The Cabinet, the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Lower Thames Crossing Task Force are not required to be proportional and so are outside of the political balance calculation.
- 2.8 The Leader of the Council appoints the Cabinet and, in accordance with the Terms of Reference, will also make nominations to the 5 places available on the Health and Wellbeing Board, with the latter to be agreed by the Council.

2.9 It is open to the Council when carrying out a review to adopt some arrangement other than that prescribed by the Act and the Regulations. Notice of such a proposal would have to be given in the Summons, and a decision would need to be made with no one voting against it. The remainder of this report therefore assumes that the Council will not want an alternative arrangement to that prescribed by law.

Political proportionality

2.10 The political balance of the Council can be calculated by using the simple formula below (to two decimal places):

No. of Group Members x 100 49

2.11 Following the elections in May 2018 the following political balance applies:

Group	Councillors	%
Labour	17	34.69%
Conservative	20	40.82%
Thurrock Independents	12	24.49%
Total	49	100

2.12 The calculation to determine the strict entitlement of political groups to seats on committees is as follows:

<u>% from Table 1</u> x Total No. of seats available (81 seats) 100

- 2.13 Those members who are not members of political groups have no legal entitlement to an allocation of seats on committees. However, the political groups are entitled to their proportion of seats and once their entitlement has been reached, the remaining seats may be filled by members not belonging to a political group. Such Members are classed as being non-aligned.
- 2.14 The LGA Independent Group has taken the view that in the true spirit of the Act, that morally or democratically, non-aligned councillors are entitled to fair representation. Groups are not entitled to have more than their share and thus they cannot exclude councillors that are not grouped i.e. single party councillors or non-aligned Independent councillors. For example in an authority of 49 councillors with one non-grouped councillor, the council must make 1/49 of the places available.

3. Issues, Options and Analysis of Options

- 3.1 The number of seats on committees that are available to be allocated amongst the political groups represented on the Council is 81.
- 3.2 Each of the political groups (formed when 2 or more councillors notify the Chief Executive, as Proper Officer, of their wish to be treated as a group) are entitled to a certain number of seats on committees. This is based upon their percentage representation on the Council as a whole, as detailed in Table 1 at paragraph 2.11 above.
- 3.3 The calculation to determine the entitlement of political groups to seats on committees is as follows:

<u>% from Table 1</u> x Total No. of seats available (81 seats) 100

- 3.4 After undertaking the above calculation for each of the political groups represented on the Council, the entitlement to seats is as follows:
 - Labour 28 seats
 - Conservative 33 seats
 - Thurrock Ind. 20 seats
- 3.5 Each of the political groups are only entitled to their proportion of seats.
- 3.6 In order to ascertain the number of seats to be allocated to political groups on each committee, the following calculation is required to be undertaken:

<u>% from Table 1</u> x No. of committee places available 100

- 3.7 After applying the above calculation to each of the committees that have been established at Agenda Item 8, the following results can be seen:
 - (a) 6 member committee applies to all **Overview & Scrutiny Committees and the Standards & Audit Committee**

٠	Lab	34.69 / 100 x 6 =	2.08	=	2 seat(s)
٠	Con	40.82 / 100 x 6 =	2.45	=	2 seat(s)
٠	TI	24.49 / 100 x 6 =	1.47	=	1 seat(s)

NOTE: A manual adjustment will provide the remaining seat for each of these committees to be allocated to the respective party (see 3.9 below).

(b) 7 member committee – applies to the **General Services Committee**

• Lab	34.69 / 100 x 7 =	2.43 =	2 seat(s)
Con	40.82 / 100 x 7 =	2.86 =	3 seat(s)
• TI	24.49 / 100 x 7 =	1.71 =	2 seat(s)

(c) 8 member committee – applies to the **Corporate Parenting Committee**

•	Lab	34.69 / 100 x 8 =	2.78	=	3 seat(s)
•	Con	40.82 / 100 x 8 =	3.27	=	3 seat(s)
٠	TI	24.49 / 100 x 8 =	1.96	=	2 seat(s)

(d) 9 member committee – applies to the **Planning Committee**

•	Lab	34.69 / 100 x 9 =	3.12	=	3 seat(s)
•	Con	40.82 / 100 x 9 =	3.67	=	4 seat(s)
٠	ТІ	24.49 / 100 x 9 =	2.20	=	2 seat(s)

(e) 15 member committee – applies to the Licensing Committee

 Lab 	34.69 / 100 x 15 =	5.20 =	5 seat(s)
 Con 	40.82 / 100 x 15 =	6.12 =	6 seat(s)
• TI	24.49 / 100 x 15 =	3.67 =	4 seat(s)

- 3.8 **Appendix 1** shows a rounded allocation of seats to each political group. This is then required to be manually adjusted to ensure that the number of seats allocated to a particular political group matches and does not exceed or fall short of their entitlement.
- 3.9 From the figures set out in **Appendix 1**, the manual adjustments required are:
 - The Conservatives require 3 additional seats across the 6 member committees.
 - The Thurrock Independents require 3 additional seats across the 6 member committees.
 - Labour require 1 additional seat across the 6 member committees.
- 3.10 Group Leaders have been consulted in respect of the calculations set out at **Appendix 1**, together with the manual adjustments that are required in order to ensure that seats on committees are correctly allocated to each of the political groups.
- 3.11 Group Leaders have also been requested to provide nominations to the places on committees to which their respective groups are entitled.
- 3.12 The nominations of political groups to seats on committees and the nominations for Chair and Vice Chair of committees will be circulated at the meeting.

4. Reasons for Recommendation

4.1 The Council is required to make the required appointments to those committees that have been established to facilitate the efficient discharge of its functions, as set out in Agenda Item 8.

5. Consultation (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)

5.1 Consultation has been undertaken in respect of this report with the leaders of each of the political groups represented on the Council. Their agreement has been obtained to the calculations relating to the allocation of seats on committees and their respective nominations are put before Council for approval.

6. Impact on corporate policies, priorities, performance and community impact

6.1 Appointing members to those committees established at Agenda Item 9, in accordance with the political balance of the Council and associated allocation of seats on committees, will enable the Council to properly discharge its functions.

7. Implications

7.1 Financial

Implications verified by:

Dammy Adewole

Management Accountant, Central Services

The cost of servicing these committees will be met through the existing budgets.

7.2 Legal

Implications verified by:

David Lawson

Monitoring Officer and Assistant Director of Law and Governance

These are set out in the body of the report.

7.3 **Diversity and Equality**

Implications verified by: Natalie Warren Community Development and Equalities Manager The Council is under a statutory duty to ensure that equality and diversity is a key part of the decision making process of the Council. Therefore, attention is drawn to the importance of ensuring that appointments to committees are underpinned by appropriate training on the statutory equality framework. The introduction of essential member training provides the assurance that members of committees will be able to fulfil their obligations with a full understanding of equality and diversity issues. This is fundamental to the Council being able to meet its statutory responsibilities. However, consideration must be given to members not completing the training or not attending, and the steps to be taken in these circumstances, once the member has been appointed.

7.4 **Other implications** (where significant) – i.e. Staff, Health, Sustainability, Crime and Disorder)

None.

8. Background papers used in preparing the report (including their location on the Council's website or identification whether any are exempt or protected by copyright):

None.

9. Appendices to the report

There are the following appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 – Allocation of seats.

- **Appendix 2** Nominations of political groups to seats on Committees (to be circulated at the meeting).
- **Appendix 3** Appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees (to be circulated at the meeting).

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Thurrock Council

No-Majority Proportionality

Pro	por	tio	nai	ity

Toportionality		Conse	rvative	Lab	our	No P	arty	Thurrock In	dependents		Ungrouped / Seats to
Party Group											allocate
Number of members		20		17		0		12			0
Overall proportionality		0.408163265	40.82%	0.346938776	34.69%	0	0.00%	0.244897959	24.49%		
Total strict entitlement		33.06122449		28.10204082		0		19.83673469			
Total rounded											
entitlement		33		28		0		20		81	0
Committee	Size of	Strict	Rounded	Strict	Rounded	Strict	Rounded	Strict	Rounded	Total	
	Committee	entitlement	Rounded								
										Entitlement	
Children's O&S	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Cleaner & Greener											
O&S	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Corporate O&S	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Health O&S	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Housing O&S	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Planning, Transport &											
Regeneration O&S	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Planning	9	3.67	4	3.12	3	0.00	0	2.20	2	9	0
Licensing	15	6.12	6	5.20	5	0.00	0	3.67	4	15	0
General Services	7	2.86	3	2.43	2	0.00	0	1.71	2	7	0
Corporate Parenting	8	3.27	3	2.78	3	0.00	0	1.96	2	8	0
Standards & Audit	6	2.45	2	2.08	2	0.00	0	1.47	1	5	1
Total seats	81		30		27		0		17	74	7
Adjustments			3		1		0		3		

Notes:

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1 The total rounded entitlement of each party group is compared with the total number of seats allocated to that group. The allocations are then adjusted manually to ensure that the number of seats allocated to a particular group matches their entitlement.

2 Compare total rounded entitlement of each party group (Row 7) with the total number of seats allocated to that group in Row 20. Then adjust the allocations manually to ensure that the number in Row 20 matches that in Row 7

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APPENDIX 1

Total

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Annual Council

Supplementary information and nominations of Group Leaders for agenda items:

Item 9 - Allocation of Committee Seats and Committee Appointments

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Item 9 Allocation of Committee Seats and Committee Appointments

Appendix 2

Nominations to Committees for the municipal year 2018-19 can be found on **pages 3-12**.

Appendix 3

Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair of Committees for the municipal year 2018-19 can be found on **pages 13-14**.

Item 10 Appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels

Appendix 1

Nominations to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels 2018 -19 can be found on **pages 15-21**.

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Item 9, Appendix 2

Appointments to Committees 2018-19

Version: 1 (First Draft)

* Seat Award through manual adjustment

CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2 Labour - 2 Thurrock Independents - 1

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents	Co-opted
1.	Cllr G Hague	Cllr J Kent (Chair)	Cllr D Potter (V Chair)	1. Vacant
2.	Cllr A Anderson	Cllr B Okunade		(Roman Catholic Church Representative)
3. 4.				 2. Lynda Pritchard (Church of England Representative)
5.				
6.				3. Nicola Cranch
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes	(Parent Governor Representative)
1. 2.	Cllr J Redsell	Cllr A Akinbohun Cllr S Liddiard	Cllr L Spillman	 4. Vacant (Parent Governor Representative)
3.				5. Kim James (HealthWatch Representative)

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CLEANER, GREENER AND SAFER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2 Labour - 2 Thurrock Independents - 1

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents
1.	Cllr B Maney	Cllr L Worrall (Chair)	Cllr A Sheridan (V Chair)
2.	Cllr E Rigby	Cllr Q Abbas	
3.		Cllr M Fletcher *	
4.			
5.			
6.			
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes
1.	Cllr T Piccolo	Cllr G Rice	Cllr L Gamester
2.	Cllr A Anderson	Cllr O Gerrish	
3.			

CORPORATE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2 Labour - 2

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents
1.	Cllr C Churchman	Cllr O Gerrish (Chair)	Cllr J Duffin (V Chair)
2.	Cllr A Jefferies	Cllr M Fletcher	Cllr T Aker *
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes
1.	Cllr E Rigby	Cllr G Rice	Cllr J Baker
2.	Cllr S MacPherson	Cllr S Liddiard	
3.			

CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE (8 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 3 Labour - 3 Thurrock Independents - 2

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents	Co-opted
1.	Cllr J Redsell (Chair)	Cllr S Liddiard	Cllr G Hamilton (V Chair)	1. Gregg Brown (representative from Open Door)
2.	Cllr S MacPherson	Cllr A Akinbohun	Cllr A Sheridan	
3.	Cllr B Johnson	Cllr Q Abbas		 2. Joseph Kaley (Chair and/or Vice-Chair of the Children in
4.				Care Council)
5.				
6.				3. Jackie Howell
7.				(Chair of The One Team, Foster Carers
8.				Association)
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes	4. Sharon Smith
1.	Cllr G Collins	Cllr L Worrall	Cllr D Potter	(Vice-Chair of The One Team, Foster
2.		Cllr S Shinnick		Carers Association)
3.				

GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE (7 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 3 Labour - 2 Thurrock Independents - 2

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock
			Independents
1.	Cllr R Gledhill (Chair)	Cllr O Gerrish (V Chair)	Cllr L Spillman
2.	Cllr S Hebb	Cllr G Rice	Cllr J Duffin
3.	Cllr M Coxshall		
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes
1.		Cllr B Okunade	Cllr T Aker
2.		Cllr M Kerin	
3.			

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD (5 Members)

In accordance with paragraph 4.5 of the terms of reference for the Board, elected Members will be nominated by the Leader of the Council. The terms of reference restrict the nominations that may be made to the Leader of the Council (a mandatory member of the Board), the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health and Opposition Group Representatives

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents
1.	Cllr J Halden (PFH) (Chair)	Cllr T Fish	
2.	Cllr R Gledhill (Leader)	Cllr B Rice	
3.	Cllr S Little (PFH)		
4.			
5.			

HEALTH AND WELLBEING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2 Labour - 2 Thurrock Independents - 1

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents	Co-opted
1.	Cllr B Maney	Cllr V Holloway (Chair)	Cllr J Allen (V Chair)	1. Kim James
2.	Cllr E Rigby	Cllr A Akinbohun		(HealthWatch)
3.				2. Ian Evans
4.				(Thurrock Coalition)
5.				
6.				
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes	
1.	Cllr A Anderson	Cllr C Kent	Cllr S Sammons	
2.		Cllr S Shinnick		
3.				

HOUSING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2

2 Labour - 2

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents	Co-opted
1.	Cllr J Redsell	Cllr G Rice (Chair)	Cllr L Spillman (V Chair)	1. Lynn Mansfield
2.	Cllr A Jefferies	Cllr C Baldwin	Cllr J Baker *	(Housing Tenant Representative)
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes	
1.	Cllr P Tolson	Cllr J Pothecary	Cllr J Allen]
2.	Cllr T Piccolo	Cllr S Liddiard		
3.				

LICENSING COMMITTEE (15 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 6 Labour - 5

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock
			Independents
1.	Cllr B Maney (Chair)	Cllr T Fish (V Chair)	Cllr L Gamester
2.	Cllr E Rigby	Cllr S Liddiard	Cllr R Cherry
3.	Cllr P Tolson	Cllr S Shinnick	Cllr G Hamilton
4.	Cllr G Collins	Cllr Q Abbas	Cllr D Potter
5.	Cllr T Kelly	Cllr B Rice	
6.	Cllr G Hague		
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11.			
12.			
13.			
14.			
15.			
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes
1.	Cllr S MacPherson	Cllr L Worrall	Cllr A Sheridan
2.	Cllr B Johnson	Cllr G Rice	
3.		Cllr B Okunade	

PLANNING COMMITTEE (9 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 4

e - 4 Labour - 3

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents	Co-opted
1.	Cllr T Kelly (Chair)	Cllr S Liddiard (V Chair)	Cllr L Gamester	1. Vacant
2.	Cllr C Churchman	Cllr S Shinnick	Cllr S Sammons	(representative from Thurrock Business Board)
3. 4.	Cllr T Piccolo Cllr A Jefferies	Cllr G Rice		-
5.				2. Mr Steve Taylor (representative from the Campaign to
6.				Protect Rural England)
7.				-
8. 9.				-
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes	-
1.	Cllr S Little	Cllr C Baldwin	Cllr P Smith]
2.	Cllr G Hague	Cllr A Akinbohun		
3.		Cllr V Holloway		

PLANNING, TRANSPORT, REGENERATION OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2 Labour - 2 Thurrock Independents - 1

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents
1.	Cllr T Piccolo	Cllr M Kerin (Chair)	Cllr P Smith (V Chair)
2.	Cllr A Anderson	Cllr J Pothecary	Cllr J Baker *
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes
1.	Cllr S MacPherson	Cllr Q Abbas	Cllr G Hamilton
2.	Cllr A Jefferies	Cllr M Fletcher	
3.			

STANDARDS AND AUDIT COMMITTEE (6 Members)

Allocation of seats: Conservative - 2

ive - 2 Labour - 2

	Conservative	Labour	Thurrock Independents	Co-opted
1.	Cllr B Maney	Cllr T Fish (Chair)	Cllr R Cherry (V Chair)	1. Mr J Oliver
2.	Cllr B Johnson	Cllr O Gerrish		
3.				2. Vacant
4.				3. Vacant
5.				
6.				
	Substitutes	Substitutes	Substitutes	
1.	Cllr T Kelly	Cllr M Fletcher	Cllr J Duffin	
2.		Cllr C Baldwin		
3.				

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Item 9, Appendix 3

Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair of Committees 2018-19 Nominations for Chair

Committee	Nominations for Chair	Contested
Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr J Kent (Labour Nomination)	NO
Cleaner, Greener and Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr L Worrall (Labour Nomination)	NO
Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr O Gerrish (Labour Nomination)	NO
Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr V Holloway (Labour Nomination)	NO
Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr G Rice (Labour Nomination)	NO
Planning, Transport, Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr M Kerin (Labour Nomination)	NO
Corporate Parenting Committee	Cllr J Redsell (Conservative Nomination)	NO
General Services Committee	Cllr R Gledhill (Conservative Nomination)	NO
Health and Wellbeing Board * * The Chair will be the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health and shall be appointed by the Council	Cllr J Halden (Conservative Nomination)	NO
Licensing Committee	Cllr B Maney (Conservative Nomination)	NO
Planning Committee	Cllr T Kelly (Conservative Nomination)	NO
Standards and Audit Committee	Cllr T Fish (Labour Nomination)	NO

Nominations for Vice Chair

Committee	Nominations for Vice Chair	Contested
Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr D Potter (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
Cleaner, Greener and Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr A Sheridan (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr J Duffin (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr J Allen (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr L Spillman (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
Planning, Transport, Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cllr P Smith (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
Corporate Parenting Committee	Cllr G Hamilton (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO
General Services Committee	Cllr Gerrish (Labour Nomination)	NO
Licensing Committee	Cllr T Fish (Labour Nomination)	NO
Planning Committee	Cllr S Liddiard (Labour Nomination)	NO
Standards and Audit Committee	Cllr R Cherry (Thurrock Independents Nomination)	NO

Item 10, Appendix 1

Council

Nominations to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels 2018-19

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Appointments to be made by the Council

Campaign to Protect Rural Essex (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1. Cllr E Rigby	1.	NO

Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee (ONE voluntary appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr Q Abbas	1.	1.	NO

Coalhouse Fort Project (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1. Cllr A Watkins	1.	NO

East Thurrock Community Association (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1. Cllr T Piccolo	1.	NO

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Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1.	1.	
	Cllr A Anderson		NO

Impulse Leisure (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for the term of office of the Member. A further appointment is required to be made by the Cabinet.)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1. Cllr G Hague	1.	NO

Kent & Essex Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 4 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1.	1. Cllr J Allen (Until 2020)	NO

Local Government Association (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office. A further two appointments are required to be made by the Cabinet.)

Labo	ur	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.		1.	1. Cllr J Duffin	NO

Local Government Association General Assembly (FOUR appointments to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr S Liddiard	1.	1.	NO
2	2.	2. Cllr J Duffin	NO
3.	3. Cllr R Gledhill	3.	NO
4.	4. Cllr A Watkins	4.	NO

Open Door (Thurrock) (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1. Cllr C Churchman	1.	NO

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 3 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr S Shinnick	1.	1.	NO

Opportunity South Essex (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 5 year term of office. ONE appointment is to be made by the Cabinet for the same term of office. The appointments to this Board are restricted to the Leader and Chief Executive.)

Representative Appointed by the Council: Chief Executive

Lyn Carpenter, Chief Executive to be appointed in 2016 for a 5 year term of office.

Thurrock Arts Council (THREE appointments to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office. A further appointment is required to be made by the Cabinet.)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr J Pothecary	1.	1.	NO
2.	2.	2. Cllr L Spillman	NO
3.	3. Cllr S MacPherson	3.	NO

Thurrock Play Network (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr T Fish	1.	1.	NO

Thurrock Sports Council (FOUR appointments to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office. A further appointment is required to be made by the Cabinet.)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr A Akinbohun	1.	1.	NO
2.	2.	2. Cllr J Duffin	NO
3.	3. Cllr T Kelly	3.	NO
4.	4. Cllr J Redsell	4.	NO

William Palmer College Educational Trust (TWO appointments to be made by the Council for a 4 year term of office.)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr G Rice (Until 2021)	1.	1.	NO
2 .	2.	2.	
		CIIr A Sheridan (until 2020)	NO

Statutory and other panels to be appointed

Fostering and Adoption Panel (ONE appointment to be made by the Council for a 3 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1.	1. Cllr S Little (until 2020)	1.	NO

Civic Awards Panel (FOUR appointments to be made by the Council for a 1 year term of office. Appointments will be required in alternate years) **NO NOMINATIONS REQUIRED THIS YEAR** Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (THREE appointments to be made by the Council for a 4 year term of office)

Labour	Conservative	Thurrock Independents	Contested
1. Cllr M Kerin	1.	1.	NO
2.	2. Cllr S MacPherson	2.	NO
3.	3.	3. CIIr A Sheridan (until 2020)	NO

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ITEM: 10

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Appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels

Wards and communities affected:	Key Decision:
None	Not Applicable

Report of: Lyn Carpenter, Chief Executive

Accountable Assistant Director: David Lawson, Assistant Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer

Accountable Director: Lyn Carpenter, Chief Executive

This report is public.

Executive Summary

This report requests the Council to consider the nominations made by Group Leaders to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels for those appointments that are to be made by Full Council.

1. Recommendation(s)

1.1 That the nominations to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels be approved (to be tabled when nominations are received).

2. Introduction and Background

2.1 Both the Full Council and the Cabinet have powers to appoint Members, officers and others to serve on Outside Bodies in a variety of capacities.

3. Issues, Options and Analysis of Options

- 3.1 Nominations have been sought from Group Leaders for the appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels that are required to be made by the Council.
- 3.2 Those nominations will be tabled when nominations have been received from Group Leaders.
- 3.3 In accordance with the Participation of Appointed Members Committee Procedure Rule 13.2 of the Council's Constitution, it is a requirement for all Members to be DBS checked.

- 3.4 For certain outside bodies, statutory and other panels, it is considered to be a requirement that those Members appointed should be DBS checked before they take up their role. This position is considered to be best practice and will specifically apply to the following, however such DBS checks will be captured under 3.3. as detailed above:
 - Fostering and Adoption Panel

Voting on appointments

- 3.5 The Constitution contains a procedure to be followed if there are more people nominated for any position(s) than there are position(s) to be filled (Chapter 2, part 2, Rule 20.9) and this will be applied in the event of any places on Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels being contested.
- 3.6 If there is not a clear majority of votes in favour of the required number of people, then the name of the person with the least number of votes will be taken off the list and a new vote taken. The process will continue until there is a majority of votes for one person.
- 3.7 Where there is an equality of votes for a person to continue in the appointment process, a vote shall be taken between those candidates having an equality of votes to determine which candidate shall continue in the appointment process.

Changes to appointments made

3.8 Any changes to the appointments made will require the approval of the appointing body, be this Full Council or Cabinet.

Reports from Members appointed to Outside Bodies

3.9 There is an expectation that Members appointed to represent the Council on Outside Bodies will report back to the Council at least annually.

4. Reasons for Recommendation

4.1 The Council should ensure that it continues to nominate representatives to sit on Outside Bodies, Statutory and other Panels so that its interests can be properly represented, together with those of the wider community.

5. Consultation (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)

5.1 In the course of seeking nominations, consultation has been undertaken with the Leaders of each of the political groups represented on the Council.

6. Impact on corporate policies, priorities, performance and community impact

6.1 It is important for the Council to nominate to such bodies in order to ensure that it continues to represent the interests of both the Authority and the wider community.

7. Implications

7.1 Financial

Implications verified by: Dammy Adewole Management Accountant, Central Services

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

7.2 Legal

Implications verified by:

David Lawson

Monitoring Officer and Assistant Director of Law and Governance

It is important that Members are correctly appointed, through the relevant Council meeting, to ensure they are indemnified in certain circumstances.

Natalie Warren

7.3 **Diversity and Equality**

Implications verified by:

Community Development & Equalities Manager

The Council is under a statutory duty to ensure that equality and diversity is a key part of the decision making process of the Council. Therefore attention is drawn to the importance of ensuring that appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels are underpinned by appropriate training on the statutory equality framework.

7.4 **Other implications** (where significant) – i.e. Staff, Health, Sustainability, Crime and Disorder)

None.

8. Background papers used in preparing the report (including their location on the Council's website or identification whether any are exempt or protected by copyright):

None.

9. Appendices to the report

Appendix 1 – The nominations of political groups to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels will be circulated at the meeting.

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