

Subject:	Political Balance, Committees and Outside Bodies for 2012/13	Status:	For Publication
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Report of:	Chief Executive	Portfolio Holder:	The Leader of the Council
Key Decision:	No - reserved for Council <input type="checkbox"/> Forward Plan <input type="checkbox"/>	General Exception <input type="checkbox"/>	Special Urgency <input type="checkbox"/>
Community Impact Assessment:	Required:	No	Attached: No
Biodiversity Impact Assessment	Required:	No	Attached: No
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1.	RECOMMENDATION(S)
1.1	<p>That the Council confirm appointments proposed by the various political groups as set out in the following appendices:</p> <p>Appendix A – Draft political balance calculation Appendix B - Draft Committees of the Council, Working Groups, other meetings and Member Champions. Appendix C – Draft representatives on outside bodies</p>

2. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 2.1 To confirm the Political Balance, appointments to committees and appointments to outside bodies for the coming municipal year 2012/13.

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- 3.1 The matters discussed in this report impact directly on the following corporate priorities:
- **A clean and green Rossendale** – creating a better environment for all.
 - **A healthy and successful Rossendale** – supporting vibrant communities and a strong economy.
 - **Responsive and value for money local services** – responding to and meeting the different needs of customers and improving the cost effectiveness of services.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 All the issues raised and the recommendation(s) in this report involve risk considerations as set out below:
- If appointments are not made to the Committees then there is a risk that the Council will not be able to effectively conduct its business over the coming months. In addition if appointments are not made to outside bodies there is a risk that the Council's views will not be represented in the debates undertaken within those bodies.

5. BACKGROUND AND OPTIONS

- 5.1 At each Annual Meeting the Council is required to make a range of appointments for the coming municipal year. This report sets out the number of appointments which need to be made following the recent elections.

- 5.2 There are strict rules on political balance or proportionality which apply to appointments to decision making bodies of the Council. Appendix A illustrates the political balance.
- 5.3 Political balance does not apply to the Cabinet which may be either single or multi party.
- 5.4 The proposals of the Council's various political groups for appointments to the Council's Committees, Working Groups, other meetings and Member Champions are set out in Appendix B. This includes the confirmation of Co-opted Members on the Audit and Accounts Committee, Performance Scrutiny Committee and Policy Scrutiny Committees.
- 5.5 The proposed appointments to outside bodies is attached at Appendix C.

COMMENTS FROM STATUTORY OFFICERS:

6. SECTION 151 OFFICER

- 6.1 There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

7. MONITORING OFFICER

- 7.1 There are no specific legal implications identified as arising from this report, other than the need to make certain appointments are in line with the political balance rules.

8. HEAD OF PEOPLE AND POLICY (ON BEHALF OF THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE)

- 8.1 There are no specific human resources implications for the Council arising from this report.

9. CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT

- 9.1 Political Groups.

10. CONCLUSION

- 10.1 It is important that appointments to Committees are made to ensure that the Council can effectively conduct its business.

No background papers

Rossendale Borough Council - Political Balance Calculation

	Available No.	Conservative No.	Labour No.	Liberal Democrats No.	Community First	Independent No.	Total No.
Council	36	9	24	1	1	1	36
		25.0%	66.7%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	100%
Committees of Council							
Development Control	7	2	5				7
Licensing	11	3	6		1	1	11
Appointments and Appeals	9	2	6		1		9
Standards	7	2	5				7
Audit and Accounts	7	2	4			1	7
Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee	14	3	10	1			14
Policy Overview and Scrutiny	7	1	5	1			7
Performance Overview and Scrutiny	7	2	5				7
Total	69	17	46	2	2	2	69
		24.6%	66.7%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	100%
Grand Total	69	17	46	2	2	2	69
		24.6%	66.7%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	100%
Balance Should Give		17.3	46.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	69.0
Difference		-0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0

Working Groups	Avail No	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Comm First	Independent	Total
Member Development Working Group	7	3	4				7
Governance Working Group	7	2	4			1	7
Grants Advisory Group	7	2	4	1			7

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET, COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS 2012/2013

COMMITTEE	CHAIR	VICE CHAIR	MEMBERS	
CABINET (Leader, Deputy Leader and up to 8 other Members)	Alyson Barnes	Sean Serridge	Andy MacNae Helen Jackson	Christine Lamb Patrick Marriott
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (7 Members) 5 Labour 2 Conservative	Amanda Robertson	Peter Roberts	Jackie Oakes Marilyn Procter Barbara Ashworth	James Eaton Granville Morris
LICENSING (11 Members) 6 Labour 3 Conservative 1 Community First 1 Independent	Christine Gill	Colin Crawforth	Bob Wilkinson Barbara Ashworth Dorothy Farrington Steve Hughes	James Eaton Annabel Shipley Anne Cheetham Alan Neal Madeline De Souza
AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (7 Members) 4 Labour 2 Conservative 1 Independent	Tom Aldred	Roy Knowles	Jackie Oakes Marilyn Procter	Granville Morris Peter Evans Madeline De Souza (Plus Mr Mumtaz Ali Co-opted)
STANDARDS (7 Elected Members, 2 Members of Whitworth Town Council and 3 Independent Members) 5 Labour 2 Conservative			Sean Serridge Christine Gill Ann Kenyon Liz McInnes Patrick Marriott Anne Cheetham Gladys Sandiford	<u>Whitworth Town Council</u> 2 members TBC <u>Independent Members</u> 3 independent TBC

COMMITTEE	CHAIR	VICE CHAIR	MEMBERS	
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (14 Members) 10 Labour 3 Conservative 1 Liberal Democrat	Liz McInnes	Jackie Oakes	Caroline Bleakley Steve Hughes Karen Creaser Andrea Fletcher Roy Knowles Peter Roberts Ann Kenyon Marilyn Procter	Amanda Milling Annabel Shipley Granville Morris Jim Pilling (plus I.Divine and K.Pilkington co-opteds)
POLICY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (7 Members) 5 Labour 1 Conservative 1 Liberal Democrat	Jackie Oakes	Ann Kenyon	Caroline Bleakley Steve Hughes Karen Creaser	Amanda Milling Jim Pilling (plus K. Pilkington co-opted)
PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (7 Members) 5 Labour 2 Conservative	Liz McInnes	Marilyn Procter	Andrea Fletcher Roy Knowles Peter Roberts	Annabel Shipley Granville Morris (plus I. Divine co-opted)
APPOINTMENTS AND APPEALS (panel of 9 Members) 6 Labour 2 Conservative 1 Community First	Five or three members to be chosen by the Chief Executive from the panel if possible to reflect the political balance on the Council and if possible on a rota basis.			
	Alyson Barnes Sean Serridge Tom Aldred	Christine Lamb Marilyn Procter Bob Wilkinson		Darryl Smith Gladys Sandiford Alan Neal

OTHER APPOINTMENTS		
MEMBER DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP (7 Members) 4 Labour 3 Conservative	Helen Jackson Tom Aldred Bob Wilkinson Patrick Marriott	Peter Evans Anne Cheetham Gladys Sandiford
GOVERNANCE WORKING GROUP (7 Members) 4 Labour 2 Conservative 1 Independent	Sean Serridge Patrick Marriott Bob Wilkinson Christine Lamb	Anne Cheetham Gladys Sandiford Madeline De Souza
GRANTS ADVISORY GROUP (7 Members) 4 Labour 2 Conservative 1 Liberal Democrat	Peter Roberts Michelle Smith Dorothy Farrington Steve Hughes	James Eaton Gladys Sandiford Jim Pilling
MEMBER CHAMPIONS		
EQUALITIES	Karen Creaser	
YOUNGER PEOPLE	Steve Hughes	
OLDER PEOPLE	Barbara Ashworth	
TOURISM	Jackie Oakes	
HERITAGE AND DESIGN	Peter Roberts	
ARMED FORCES	Christine Gill	
JOINT COMMITTEES		
LANCASHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL	Alyson Barnes	
PLACE JOINT COMMITTEE	Alyson Barnes	

NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUMS				
	HASLINGDEN WITH EDENFIELD Eden, Greenfield, Helmshore and Worsley Ward Members	RAWTENSTALL Cribden, Goodshaw Hareholme, Longholme and Whitewell Ward Members	BACUP Greensclough, Irwell and Stacksteads Ward Members	WHITWORTH Facit & Shawforth, Healey and Whitworth Ward Members 1 Whitworth Town Council Member TBC Tom Aldred
CHAIR:	Ann Kenyon	Colin Crawforth	Jackie Oakes	
NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM WORKING GROUPS (3 Members including Chair)	Marilyn Procter Darryl Smith	Andrea Fletcher Jim Pilling	Barbara Ashworth James Eaton	Sean Serridge Alan Neal
ROSSENDALE FORUM				
Comprised of: Leader of the Council, Haslingden Forum Chair, Rawtenstall Forum Chair, Bacup Forum Chair, Whitworth Forum Chair, Lancashire County Council representative and Crime and Safety Partnership representative.				
Alyson Barnes Colin Crawforth Tom Aldred		Ann Kenyon Jackie Oakes		

ROSSENDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS AS REPRESENTATIVES ON

Name of Body/ Organisation	Nominations
Burnley Pendle & Rossendale Council for Voluntary Service (BPRCVS)	Barbara Ashworth, Anne Cheetham
CAPITA Strategic Governance Board	Sean Serridge, Barbara Ashworth, Granville Morris
Children's Trust	Amanda Robertson
East Lancashire Into Employment	Steve Hughes, Peter Evans
East Lancashire Railway Trust Board of Management	Patrick Marriott, Anne Cheetham, Jim Pilling
Green Vale Homes	Helen Jackson, Anne Cheetham
Groundwork Pennine Lancashire (& Valley of Stone Advisory Group)	Andrew MacNae
Haslingden Community Link Children's Advisory Board	Marilyn Procter
Healey Dell Nature Reserve Joint Management Committee	Tom Aldred, Alan Neal, Madeline De Souza
Health Lead for Rossendale	Liz McInnes
Inspire - East Lancashire Integrated Substance Misuse Services	Christine Lamb
LCC Health Scrutiny Committee	Liz McInnes (Christine Lamb sub)
Lancashire Leaders Forum	Alyson Barnes
Lancashire Waste Partnership	Christine Lamb
Littleworld Limited t/a Horse & Bamboo Theatre	Jackie Oakes
Maden Community & Children's Centre Partnership Board	Barbara Ashworth, James Eaton
Mid-Pennine Association for the Arts	Andrew MacNae
North West Employers'	Patrick Marriott (Sean Serridge sub)
North West Region Reserves Forces & Cadets Association (RFCA)	Christine Gill
Patrol Adjudication Joint Committee	Patrick Marriott
Regenerate Governing Body	Andrew MacNae
Rossendale Citizens Advice Bureau	Amanda Robertson, Robert Wilkinson, Brian Essex
Rossendale Crime & Safety Partnership (CSP) - Steering Group	Christine Gill, Christine Lamb, Gladys Sandiford
Rossendale Leisure Trust Ltd	Tom Aldred, Granville Morris
Rossendale Museum Advisory Forum	Roy Knowles, Anne Cheetham
Rossendale Transport Limited	Patrick Marriott, Colin Crawforth, Robert Wilkinson, Roy Knowles, Brian Essex and Anne Cheetham
West Pennine Moors Area Management Committee	Andrew MacNae, Brian Essex