

## POLITICAL BALANCE OF THE COUNCIL 2023/24

### Executive Summary

This is to report that formal notices have been received in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the regulations made thereunder which have the effect of dividing the Council into political groups. The composition of the Council is as follows:

Liberal Democrat:	20
Conservative:	4
Labour:	3
Independent:	3

Notification has been received of the Members to act as Leader and Deputy Leader of each Political Group as follows:

	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Deputy Leader</b>
Liberal Democrat:	Councillor A-M Barker	Councillor W Forster
Conservative:	Councillor K Davis	Councillor J Brown
Labour:	Councillor T Aziz	Councillor A Javaid
Independent:	Councillor A Boote	Councillor D Jordan

The Selection Panel, at its meeting on 16 May 2023, considered the allocation of seats on Committees according to the provision of the Regulations and, where possible, applied the same principle to Working Groups and Task Groups. This will be considered later in the agenda.

### Recommendations

The Council is requested to:

**RESOLVE That** the report be received.

<b>The Council has authority to determine the recommendation above.</b>
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<b>Background Papers:</b>	None.
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