



## ***FULL COUNCIL REPORT***

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*To: Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen*

# **Change to Committee Appointments 2018-2019**

## **1.0 SUMMARY OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 A number of issues have arisen in recent weeks that necessitate changes to the membership of committees.
- 1.2 The report outlines the background and the proposed adjustments submitted by the political groups in relation to the:
- a) Membership of the Audit committee / Democratic Services Committee;
  - b) Membership and Vice Chair function for the Learning and LAESCYP Scrutiny Committee; and
  - c) Membership and Vice Chair function for Regeneration and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT:**

- 2.1 the changes to the committee appointments and Vice Chair appointments be approved.

## **3. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The outcome of the Gurnos Ward By-election affected the balance of allocated seats on the Audit Committee / Democratic Services Committee, which requires a nomination from the Independent Group.

- 3.2 In response to clashes with diary commitments, Councillor Tony Rogers stood down from the role of Vice Chair of Governance, Performance, Business Change and Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee.
- 3.3 Although the Vice Chair position on this committee is allocated to the Dowlais Independent Group, Councillor Julian Amos is already a member of the Governance Scrutiny Committee, so if he were to take over as Vice Chair the size of the committee would have to be reconfigured. An offer was therefore made Labour to nominate a Councillor to sit as Vice Chair.
- 3.4 Changes are required on the Learning and LAESCYP Scrutiny Committee as a result of Councillor Chris Davies standing down from the Independent Group. Councillor Davies will continue to sit on the committee, but he will no longer be Vice Chair as the position is allocated to an Independent Group member.
- 3.5 Reconfiguration of the Opposition Leader and Deputy Opposition Leader roles has resulted in the Labour Party committee membership being adjusted to accommodate the changes in the Party's modified structure.

#### **4. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

##### **Elected Member Representatives:**

Councillor Julian Amos  
Councillor Jeremy Davies  
Councillor Clive Jones  
Councillor Gareth Lewis  
Councillor Darren Roberts  
Councillor Declan Sammon  
Councillor Clive Tovey  
Councillor John Thomas

##### **Substitute Elected Members:**

Councillor David Chaplin  
Councillor Lee Davies  
Councillor Tony Rogers

#### **5. GOVERNANCE, PERFORMANCE, BUSINESS CHANGE AND CORPORATE SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Tanya Skinner

**Vice Chair:** Councillor Gareth Lewis

##### **Elected Member Representatives:**

Councillor Harvey Jones (Chair Learning and LAESCYP)  
Councillor Declan Sammon (Chair Neighbourhood Services, Planning & Countryside)  
Councillor Julian Amos (Chair Regeneration and Public Protection)  
Councillor Bill Smith (Chair Social Services)

Councillor Darren Roberts (Chair Audit)

**Substitute Elected Members:**

Councillor Sherelle Jago  
Councillor David Jones

## **6. LEARNING AND LAESCYP SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Harvey Jones

**Vice Chair:** Councillor Lee Davies

**Elected Member Representatives:**

Councillor Brent Carter  
Councillor David Chaplin  
Councillor Chris Davies  
Councillor Sherelle Jago

**Substitute Elected Members:**

Councillor Clive Jones  
Councillor Declan Sammon

## **7. REGENERATION AND PUBLIC PROTECTION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Julian Amos

**Vice Chair:** Councillor Chris Barry

**Elected Committee Members (x4)**

Councillor Paul Brown  
Councillor Malcolm Colbran  
Councillor Gareth Lewis  
Councillor Scott Thomas

**Substitute Committee Members:**

Councillor Lee Davies  
Councillor Gareth Richards  
Councillor Tony Rogers

## **8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION(S)**

8.1 There are no additional financial implications associated with this report.

## 9.0 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

	Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts	Not Applicable
<b>1. Merthyr Tydfil Well-being Objectives</b>	0 of 4	0 of 4	4 of 4
<b>2. Sustainable Development Principles - How have you considered the five ways of working:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long term</li> <li>• Prevention</li> <li>• Integration</li> <li>• Collaboration</li> <li>• Involvement</li> </ul>	1 of 5	0 of 5	4 of 5
<b>3. Protected Characteristics</b> <i>(including Welsh Language)</i>	0 of 10	0 of 10	0 of 10
<b>4. Biodiversity</b>	0 of 1	0 of 1	0 of 1
<p><b>Summary:</b></p> <p>The main positive impacts are that we are meeting legal requirements so that there are no future challenges</p> <p>There are no negative impacts</p>			

**GARETH CHAPMAN**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**COUNCILLOR KEVIN O'NEILL**  
**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS</b>		
Title of Document(s)	Document(s) Date	Document Location
No Background Papers		
Does the report contain any issue that may impact the Council's Constitution?		No

***Consultation has been undertaken with the Corporate Management Team in respect of each proposal(s) and recommendation(s) set out in this report.***