

COUNCIL

DATE	18 th July 2024
REPORT OF	The Monitoring Officer
SUBJECT	Amendments to Places on Committees and Panels of the Council
STATUS	Open
FORWARD PLAN REF NO.	Not applicable

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIMS

Good governance arrangements contribute directly to the achievement of the Council's strategic aims.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A report advising of proposed changes to places on Committees and Panels of the Council since the Annual Meeting held on 23rd May, 2024.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Councillor Freeston replace Councillor Cairns as a member of the Standards and Adjudication Committee.
2. That Councillor Shepherd be removed as a substitute member of the Standards and Adjudication Committee.
3. That Councillor K Swinburn be appointed as a Conservative Group substitute on the Transport, Infrastructure and Strategic Housing Scrutiny Panel.
4. That Councillor Cairns be appointed as a Conservative Group substitute on the Licensing and Community Protection Committee.

REASONS FOR DECISION

Appointments to seats on the Council's Committees and Panels are determined by full Council at its Annual Meeting. Any changes following these formal appointments are notified to full Council for formal approval.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

- 1.1 At the Annual Meeting of Council on 23rd May, 2024, appointments were made to the committees and panels of the Council. Since that meeting, Councillor Freeston has left the Conservative Group and the political composition of the Council is now as follows:

Conservative – 18
Labour – 15
Independents for North East Lincolnshire – 5
Liberal Democrats – 3
Reform UK - 1

- 1.2 As a result of this change to the political composition of the Council, Councillor Freeston is entitled to two committee seats at the expense of the Conservative Group's allocation. Following discussions with Councillor Freeston and the Conservative Group, it is suggested that Councillor Freeston retains his position as the Deputy Chair and member of the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel. It is further suggested that Councillor Freeston be appointed to the Standards and Adjudication Committee, replacing Councillor Cairns from the Conservative Group, with Councillor Shepherd being removed as a substitute member.
- 1.3 At the Annual Meeting, Councillor Freeston was also appointed as a Conservative Group substitute on a number of panels and committees. The Conservative Group have proposed that he be replaced as follows:
- Economy Culture and Tourism Scrutiny Panel – position to remain vacant.
 - Transport, Infrastructure and Strategic Housing Scrutiny Panel – Councillor K. Swinburn.
 - Licensing and Community Protection Committee – Councillor Cairns.

2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

It is a requirement of the Council's Constitution that these changes be notified to Council.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not applicable.

4. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

These matters are reported to the Council as required by the Constitution and to support the continued good governance of the Council.

5. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations to be taken into account as a result of the recommendations within this report.

6. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct implications for children and young people arising from the recommendations within this report.

7. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no climate change or environmental implications arising from the recommendations within this report.

8. CONSULTATION WITH SCRUTINY

Not applicable.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations in

this report.

10. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

As set out in the main body of the report.

11. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct human resources implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

12. WARD IMPLICATIONS

All wards are potentially affected.

13. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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