

Report to: Council

**Subject: Committee Allocations** 

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## **COMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS**

The Council has been notified that the Liberal Democrat Group now has eight members rather than the nine members previously notified. Councillor D Kumarasiri no longer being a member of the group.

This has an effect on the allocation of committee seats required by the provisions regulating political balance.

The small movement has resulted in a change of allocation of seats on the Planning Committee being the biggest decision making Committee. As a result, the Liberal Democrat Group has a reduction from 3 Members to 2 on this Committee. The vacant seat falls to be allocated to the independent member Councillor Kumarasiri.

The Liberal Democrat nomination to the Personnel and Resources Committee was Councillor Kumarasiri. As a result of these changes the Liberal Democrat Group have asked that Councillor A J Gillam be removed from the Planning Committee and be appointed to the Personnel and Resources Committee.

The Council is required to recognise Group nominations to Committees it is therefore **RECOMMENDED** that Councillor Kumarasiri be appointed to the Planning Committee and Councillor Gillam be appointed to Personnel and Resources Committee and removed from the Planning Committee.