



Full Council (AGM)	Tuesday, 10 May 2022	Matter for Information and Decision
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Report Title:

**Appointment of Council Bodies and
Membership Sizes (2022/23)**

Report Author(s):

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Purpose of Report:	To appoint the Committees, Sub-Committees, Boards, Panels, Forums and Working Groups of the Council ("Council bodies") and the number of Members to serve thereon for the ensuing municipal year 2022/23.
Report Summary:	In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Council must at its Annual General Meeting (AGM) appoint all the Council bodies it considers appropriate to deal with matters which are not reserved to the Council (as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution) including the fixed number of Members to serve thereon for each municipal year.
Recommendation(s):	A. That the Council bodies and the number of Members to serve thereon (as set out at paragraph 2 of this report) for the ensuing municipal year 2022/23 be approved; and B. That delegated authority be given to the Head of Law & Democracy / Monitoring Officer to make all the necessary amendments to the Constitution therefrom accordingly.
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Corporate Objectives:	Not applicable.
Vision and Values:	Not applicable.
Report Implications:-	
Legal:	Failure to adhere to the relevant provisions of the Local Government Act 1972, Local Government and Housing Act 1989, Local Government Act 2000 and the relevant Regulations made thereunder ("the Acts and Regulations") and the relevant provisions of the Council's Constitution in relation to the appointment of Council bodies to discharge Council functions may result in the Council acting beyond its powers.

Financial:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Corporate Risk Management:	Political Dynamics (CR3) Regulatory Governance (CR6)
Equalities and Equalities Assessment (EA):	There are no implications arising from this report. EA not applicable.
Human Rights:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Health and Safety:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Statutory Officers' Comments:-	
Head of Paid Service:	The report is satisfactory.
Chief Finance Officer:	The report is satisfactory.
Deputy/Monitoring Officer:	As the author, the report is satisfactory.
Consultees:	Councillor J W Boyce (Leader of the Council)
Background Papers:	None.
Appendices:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proposed Council Bodies & Membership Sizes (2022/23) 2. Proposed Committee & Governance Structure (2022/23)

1. Background

1.1 In accordance with the Acts and Regulations and the Council's Constitution, the Council must at its Annual General Meeting (AGM) appoint all the Council bodies it considers appropriate to deal with matters which are not reserved to the Full Council (as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution) including the number of Members to serve thereon for each municipal year.

2. Council Bodies and Membership Sizes for 2022/23

2.1 The proposed Council bodies which are directly appointed by the Council are:

- Full Council (26 Members);
 - Brocks Hill/ Office Relocation Sub-Committee (5 Members)
 - Former Oadby Pool Site Sub-Committee (5 Members)
- Audit Committee (7 Members + 1 Independent Person);
- Appeals Panel (3 Members);^{FC}
- Appointments Committee (Chief Officers) (5 Members);^{FXD}
- Development Control Committee (10 Members).
- Investigatory Committee (Chief Officers) (3 Members);^{FC}
- Constitutional Working Group (5 Members);
- Independent Remuneration Panel (3 Independent Members);
- People Committee (5 Members);
- Policy, Finance and Development Committee (17 Members);

- Assessment Sub-Committee (3 Members);^{PFDC}
- Determination Sub-Committee (3 Members);^{PFDC}
- Review Sub-Committee (3 Members);^{PFDC}
- Place Shaping Working Group (10 Members);
- IT and Communications Working Group (5 Members)
- Service Delivery Committee (15 Members);
 - Armed Forces Working Group (4 Members); and
 - Environment Working Group (5 Members)
- Licensing and Regulatory Committee (14 Members);
 - Licensing Sub-Committee (3 Members);^{LRC}
 - Taxi and Private Hire Sub-Committee (3 Members);^{LRC}

Key

- Committee
 - Sub-Committee
 - Working Group
- FC Members appointed ad-hoc from Full Council
- FXD Fixed Office Holders and Committee Chairs (or appointed nominees)
- LRC Members appointed ad-hoc from Licensing and Regulatory Committee
- PFDC Members appointed ad-hoc from Policy, Finance and Development Committee

2.2 The proposed Council bodies which are directly facilitated by the Council are:

- Oadby Residents' Forum (11 Members)*;
- Wigston Residents' Forum (12 Members)*;
- South Wigston Residents' Forum (4 Members)*;
- Health and Wellbeing Board (6 Members);
- Community Engagement Forum (6 Members);
- Children and Young Peoples' Forum (5 Members); and
- Community Safety Partnership (1 Member).

* All Members from the relevant Oadby, Wigston and South Wigston Borough Council Wards and pertaining County Council Divisions.

3. Rationales for Changes to Council Bodies' Membership Sizes from 2021/22

3.1 Of the Council bodies listed above, the sizes proposed differ from the numbers appointed in previous years as set out at paragraph 3.2. below. Where the numbers have been reduced, the purpose is to increase the efficiency of the decision-making process of that particular body, and where the numbers have increased, the purpose is to increase the democratic basis of the body by allowing more Members to have an active and formal role on that same.

3.2 The Council bodies that will be affected, subject to Council approval, are as follows:

Council Bodies (Alphabetical Order)	2021/22	2022/23
Armed Forces Working Group	5	4
Audit Committee	6 + IP*	7 + IP*
Children and Young Peoples' Forum	6	5
Community Engagement Forum	5	6
Community Safety Partnership	2	1
Development Control Committee	12	10
Health and Wellbeing Board	5	6
Licensing and Regulatory Committee	15	14
People Committee	6	5
Place Shaping Working Group	11	10
Policy, Finance and Development Committee	15	17
*IP = Independent Person		

4. Committee and Governance Structure for 2022/23

- 4.1. A diagram of the Council's proposed Committee and Governance Structure for 2022/2023 comprising of the Council bodies which are directly appointed by the Council only is set out at **Appendix 1** to this report.