

**Meeting of the Full Council
Meeting to be held on Thursday, 16 July 2020**

Report submitted by: Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Part A

Electoral Division affected:
None;

Membership of Committees and Related Appointments for 2020/21
(Appendix 'A' refers)

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Executive Summary

Membership of committees and related appointments for 2020/21.

Recommendation

Full Council is asked to consider and approve:

- (i) The Constitution and membership of the committees of the county council for 2020/21, as set out at a) below.
- (ii) The appointment of Chairs and Deputy Chairs of those committees for 2020/21, as set out at b) below.

Background and Advice

a) Constitution and Membership of Committees of the County Council for 2020/21

Full Council is required to approve the Constitution and membership of committees in accordance with the political balance rules set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

This means that the makeup of each committee must reflect the proportions of seats held on the Full Council by each political group. The composition of each committee, in line with these rules, is set out at Appendix 'A'. Nominations for membership should be made in writing by the respective political groups to the Director of Corporate Services.

b) Appointments of Chairs and Deputy Chairs of Committees for 2020/21

The Constitution requires that the county council must, at its Annual Meeting, consider the appointment of various Chairs and Deputy Chairs of committees for the following year.

These appointments would usually be made at the Annual General Meeting. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, no Annual General Meeting was held this year. In line with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, all appointments made at the previous Annual General Meeting were carried over until such time as Full Council determines.

Full Council is therefore asked to consider the appointment of members to the positions of Chair and Deputy Chair of the following committees for 2020/21:

- Urgency
- Internal Scrutiny
- External Scrutiny
- Education Scrutiny
- Children's Services Scrutiny
- Health Scrutiny
- Development Control
- Regulatory
- Audit, Risk and Governance
- Pension Fund
- Student Support Appeals
- Employment
- Conduct
- Lancashire Health and Wellbeing Board

In accordance with its terms of reference, the appointment of a Chair and Deputy Chair of the Cumbria and Lancashire Joint Health Scrutiny Committee is a matter for the committee itself and does not require Full Council approval.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

It is a statutory requirement that the Full Council must approve political group balance allocations on committees and the county council's standing orders require the appointment of Chairs and Deputy Chairs of committees.

