

**CHAIRMEN ETC. NOMINATIONS
AND
COMMITTEE ETC. SELECTION
2019/2020**

BRIEFING NOTE

(14TH MAY 2019)

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BRIEFING NOTE

This Briefing Note contains details of the political groupings, Committee etc. allocations and the nominations for the various Chairmen etc. positions. Further nominations can be made up until, and/or at, the relevant Meeting.

Political Groupings Etc.

- (1) I have been advised of the following provisional Political Groupings within the Council (in accordance with the 'Widdicombe' Rules):-

Liberal Democrat

Councillors

Claire Bloomer
Ray Brassington
Patrick Coleman
Rachel Coxcoon
Tony Dale
Andrew Doherty
Mike Every
Jenny Forde
Joe Harris
Mark Harris
Roly Hughes
Juliet Layton
Nick Maunder
Dilys Neill
Nigel Robbins
Gary Selwyn
Lisa Spivey
Clive Webster

Total: 18

Councillors

Stephen Andrews
Mark Annett
Julian Beale
Tony Berry
Gina Blomefield
Stephen Hirst
Robin Hughes
Julia Judd
Richard Keeling
Sue Jepson
Richard Morgan
Richard Norris
Ray Theodoulou
Steve Trotter

Total: 14

(2) The following Councillors have not joined/formed any political group:-

- Councillor Nikki Ind (Independent candidate)
- Councillor Andrew Maclean (Green Party candidate)

Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council

(3) The nominations received in respect of these positions (Annual Council Meeting, Agenda Items (3) and (4)) are attached - **page 5**.

Strong Leader and Cabinet Governance Arrangements

(4) The Council operates the Strong Leader and Cabinet form of governance. The Cabinet comprises the Leader of the Council, together with up to nine other Members to be appointed by the Leader (one of whom shall be appointed as Deputy Leader). The Leader is elected by the Council, for a four-year term.

(5) One nomination has been received thus far for the Leader of the Council, in respect of Councillor Joe Harris - see **page 6**. This will be dealt with at Council Meeting Agenda Item (8)).

(6) In the event of Councillor Joe Harris being elected Leader, his appointments to the Cabinet are also attached - **pages 7-9** (Council Meeting Agenda Item (9) refers). Such appointments are purely for information/noting.

Committee Memberships (Annual Council Meeting Agenda Item (10))

(7) With the exception of the Cabinet, the Regulations in respect of political proportionality on Committees will apply (the 'Widdicombe Rules').

(8) The Constitution currently provides for each non-grouped member to have an entitlement to one committee place.

(9) Based on the number of Members across each group, and the number of non-grouped members, the following allocation of seats is suggested across those Committees that are subject to the 'Widdicombe Rules' (the allocations also reflect the preferences of the non-grouped members) - it should be noted that, to reflect the political balance and Constitutional requirements, one seat has been added to the membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:-

	Liberal Democrats (18)	Conservative (14)	Green (1)	Independent (1)	Total
Planning and Licensing	8	6	0	1	15
Audit	3	2	0	0	5
Overview and Scrutiny	4	3	1	0	8
Total Seats	15	11	1	1	28

(10) It is for the political groups to make their own decisions regarding the allocation of Committee places to their members (within the overall allocation of seats); and the allocations made are attached - **pages 10-12**.

(11) A Member of the Cabinet is not able also to serve on the Audit Committee or the Overview and Scrutiny Committee; but is able to serve on the Planning and Licensing Committee.

(12) The Chair of the Council is not able to serve on the Cabinet or the Audit Committee or the Overview and Scrutiny Committee; but is able to serve on the Planning and Licensing Committee.

(13) The Vice-Chair of the Council is not able to serve on the Cabinet; but is able to serve on any other Committee.

(14) The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council cannot both serve on the Planning and Licensing Committee.

Chair Etc. Nominations and Chair Etc. Restrictions

(15) The Chair of the Council, by virtue of office, is not eligible to hold office as a Chair of a Committee during his/her term.

(16) No Member of the Cabinet is entitled to hold the office of the Chair or Vice-Chair of a Committee.

(17) No Member of the Council is entitled to hold the office of the Chair of more than one Committee at any time.

(18) No Member of the Council is entitled to hold the office of the Chair of the Council or the Chair of any Committee for a continuous period of more than three years. Nor is he/she eligible to be a Chair or Vice-Chair of any Committee within one year of ceasing to hold office as Chair of any Committee.

(19) A nominee for election/appointment as a Chair or Vice-Chair (of either the Council or of a Committee), or as Leader of the Council, is not required to be present at the Meeting at which the election/appointment is to take place.

(20) There is no requirement for a secret ballot to be held in respect of voting on Member appointments.

(21) With the exception of the Planning and Licensing Committee, all Committee Vice-Chair positions have been dispensed with.

(22) The nominations made in respect of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council, the various Committee Chair positions, and the Vice-Chair of the Planning and Licensing Committee, are attached - **pages 13-15** (to be dealt with by each Committee in turn at the close of the Annual Council Meeting).

(END)

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019

Agenda Items (3) and (4)

Election/Appointment of Chair/Vice-Chair of the Council

Council Year 2019/20

The following nominations have been received to date:-

(3) Chair of the Council

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Nigel Robbins	Claire Bloomer	Ray Brassington

(4) Vice-Chair of the Council

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Dilys Neill	Lisa Spivey	Tony Dale

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019

Agenda Item (8)

Election of Leader of the Council - Council Years 2019/23

The following nomination has been received to date:-

Leader of the Council

Nominee

Joe Harris

Proposer

Mike Evemy

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Rachel Coxcoon

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019**Agenda Item (8)****Appointment of the Cabinet - Council Year 2019/20**

If appointed as the Leader of the Council, Councillor Joe Harris intends to make the following Cabinet appointments:-

Councillor	Portfolio Area
Joe Harris (Leader)	-
Mike Evely (Deputy Leader)	Finance
Rachel Coxcoon	Planning Policy, Climate Change and Energy
Tony Dale	Economic Development, Skills and Young People
Andrew Doherty	Waste, Flooding and Environmental Health
Jenny Forde	Health, Well-being and Public Safety
Mark Harris	Car Parks and Town & Parish Councils
Lisa Spivey	Housing and Homelessness
Clive Webster	Development Management, Landscape and Heritage

Total Members: 9

Note:

Details of the responsibilities within each portfolio area are as follows:-

Leader - Cllr Joe Harris

- Policy framework including the corporate plan
- Co-ordination of executive functions
- Democratic services/Legal services
- Press and communication
- Publica
- Cirencester town centre masterplan
- Democratic renewal and consultation

Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance - Cllr Mike Evemy

- Financial strategy and management
- Revenues and benefits
- Property and asset management
- Grants
- Cotswold Water Park

Cabinet Member for Planning Policy, Climate Change and Energy - Cllr Rachel Coxcoon

- Climate change and energy planning
- Strategic forward planning
- Local plan
- Neighbourhood plans
- Community Infrastructure Levy and S106 Agreements
- Allowable solutions

Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Skills and Young People - Cllr Tony Dale

- Local Enterprise Partnership and county-wide partnerships
- Promoting enterprise, sustainable tourism, visitor information centres
- Economic development
- Youth development and services

Cabinet Member for the Waste, Flooding and Environmental Health - Cllr Andrew Doherty

- Waste and recycling
- Drainage and flood resilience
- Public protection
- Food safety
- Building control
- Cemeteries
- Street cleaning & litter picking
- Noise and public nuisance
- Licensing

Cabinet Member for Health, Well-being and Public Safety - Cllr Jenny Forde

- Improving social mobility
- Tackling social isolation
- Public health, well-being and mental health
- Crime, disorder and community safety
- Supporting and safeguarding people
- Public conveniences
- Leisure, museums and arts

Cabinet Member for Car Parks and Town & Parish Councils - Cllr Mark Harris

- Delivery of Cirencester car park
- Car parking and enforcement
- Parish and Town Council support
- Support for community events
- Community building/liaison role

Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness - Cllr Lisa Spivey

- Tackling homelessness and improving housing security
- Support for community land trusts
- Promotion of self-build and system build housing
- Strategic oversight of tenure and housing needs assessment
- Delivery of council and social rented housing
- Liaison with housing developers
- Universal Credit

Cabinet Member for Development Management, Landscape and Heritage - Cllr Clive Webster

- Development management
- Heritage and design management
- Landscape conservation
- AONB liaison

(END)

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019

Agenda Item (9)

Appointment of Committees - Council Year 2019/20

PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Liberal Democrat Group Representation (8): Claire Bloomer
Ray Brassington
Patrick Coleman
Roly Hughes
Juliet Layton
Dilys Neill
Gary Selwyn
Clive Webster

Conservative Group Representation (6): Tony Berry
Stephen Hirst
Sue Jepson
Julia Judd
Richard Keeling
Steve Trotter

Non-Grouped Member Representation (1): Nikki Ind

Total Members: 15

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Liberal Democrat Group Representation (4):	Claire Bloomer Patrick Coleman Dilys Neill Gary Selwyn
Conservative Group Representation (3):	Stephen Andrews Gina Blomefield Richard Norris
Non-Grouped Member Representation (1):	Andrew Maclean

Total Members: 8

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Liberal Democrat Group Representation (3): Patrick Coleman

Roly Hughes

Nick Maunder

Conservative Group Representation (2): Richard Morgan

Ray Theodoulou

Total Members: 5

PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019

Agenda Items (3) and (4)

**Election/Appointment of Chair/Vice-Chair
of the Planning and Licensing Committee**

Council Year 2019/20

The following nominations have been received to date:-

(3) Chair of the Committee

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Juliet Layton	Dilys Neill	Claire Bloomer

(4) Vice-Chair of the Committee

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Ray Brassington	Patrick Coleman	Roly Hughes

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019

Agenda Item (3)

Election of Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Council Year 2019/20

The following nomination has been received to date:-

(3) **Chair of the Committee**

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Stephen Andrews	Gina Blomefield	Richard Norris

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING - 14TH MAY 2019

Agenda Item (3)

Election of Chair of the Audit Committee

Council Year 2019/20

The following nomination has been received to date:-

(3) Chair of the Committee

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Patrick Coleman	Nick Maunder	Roly Hughes

(END)