

Wiltshire Council

Annual Council

10 May 2016

Item 12 - Review of Allocation of Seats on Committees to Political Groups and Appointment of Committees

To update Council following the by-election held on 5 May 2016. To be read in conjunction with the report at item 12.

Paragraph 4 (page 281) – Political composition of the Council

There are currently 4 political groups on the Council. The respective strengths of those Groups are as follows:-

Name of Group	No. of Councillors in Group
Conservative	61
Liberal Democrat	21
Labour	4
Independent	10
Ungrouped member	1
vacancy	1

Paragraph 22 (page 285) – Police and Crime Panel

The membership of the Police and Crime Panel takes into account the collective political composition of both Wiltshire Council and Swindon Borough Council. Following Swindon's election of a third on 5 May 2016, its political composition is as follows:

Conservative	– 30
Labour	– 25
Liberal Democrat	– 2
Independent	– 0

When taken with the political composition of Wiltshire Council:

Conservatives	91	(59.48%)	6.54	6 seats (-1)
Labour	29	(18.95%)	2.08	2 seats
Liberal democrat	23	(15.03%)	1.65	2 seats (+1)
Independent	10	(6.54%)	0.71	1 seat

Swindon appoints 2 Conservative and 2 Labour councillors leaving Wiltshire Council to appoint 4 Conservatives, 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Independent. Swindon will make its appointments at its annual meeting on 20 May.

Item 13 - Appointments to the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority

To be read in conjunction with the report at item 13 (page 314).

The result of the by-election held on 5 May 2016 has no impact on the appointments to the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority, with the allocation of seats to political groups remaining as follows:

Conservatives (6)

Liberal Democrats (2)

Labour (1)

Independent (1)