

AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (1)

Meeting: Council

Place: Council Chamber - County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

Date: Tuesday 16 May 2023

Time: 10.30 am

The Agenda for the above meeting was published on 5 May 2023. Additional documents are now available and are attached to this Agenda Supplement.

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7 Public Participation (Pages 3 - 4)

Questions from Celia Beckett are attached, together with responses.

11 Notice of Motion No. 2023-01 - Old Sarum Airfield

Following circulation of the Summons it became clear that two planning applications had been validated about the Old Sarum site on 10 May 2023, which are therefore non-determined planning applications which could be called in to Committee for a decision.

Following consultation with the Monitoring Officer the Chairman has therefore confirmed that the motion would not fall within scope for the meeting in accordance with Paragraph 18.7.3 of Part 4 of the Constitution, which states:

- 18.7 Motions must be clear and concise and be about matters for which the Council has a responsibility or which affect the Council's administrative area. Motions will be rejected where they:
- 18.7.1 do not relate to a matter for which the Council has a responsibility or which do not affect the Council's administrative area or those living in that area;
- 18.7.2 are defamatory, frivolous, offensive, vexatious, unlawful or otherwise improper;
- 18.7.3 relate to any non-determined planning or licensing application;

- 18.7.4 name or identify individual service users, Members of staff or Members of staff of partner agencies; or
- 18.7.5 are considered by the Chairman to be inappropriate for the particular meeting or undermines the purposes of the constitution.

Accordingly, the motion will be rejected for consideration.

13 Annual Appointment of Committees (Pages 5 - 30)

Reports relating to the allocation of seats on committees to political groups are attached.

15 Questions from Members of the Council (Pages 31 - 46)

Questions from Councillors Carole King, Edward Kirk, and David Vigar, are attached, together with responses.

DATE OF PUBLICATION: 15 May 2023

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Item 7 - Public Participation

From Celia Beckett (Hilperton Area Action Group)

To Cllr Nick Botterill – Cabinet Member for Finance, Development Management and Strategic Planning

Background

Central government is now suggesting that housing targets should be only a starting point, with local circumstances also taken into account in the planning of an area.

Question (P23-08)

Does the Council agree with the Government's intention to give greater weight to Neighbourhood Plans and to extend protection for Neighbourhood Plans from 2 to 5 years?

Response:

The Council has welcomed the proposed change to paragraph 14 of the national planning policy framework to increase the protection to be given to neighbourhood plans that was put forward by Government through the recent consultation on reforms to national planning policy.

Question (P23-09)

If so, does the Council consider that large-scale development in the open countryside outside the Neighbourhood Plan allocations, where infrastructure provision is at an inadequate level, constitutes unsustainable development?

Response:

The development plan for Wiltshire includes both the Local Plan, prepared by Wiltshire Council as Local Planning Authority, and any neighbourhood plans that have been prepared by parish and town councils. Neighbourhood plans need to be in line with, and not conflict with, both national and Local Plan policy

Wiltshire's adopted Local Plan includes the Wiltshire Core Strategy and accompanying Chippenham and Wiltshire Site Allocation Plans. These contain allocations for large scale development in what could be said to be the

open countryside outside of an existing settlement. In preparing the Wiltshire Local Plan Review consideration is being given to where additional new greenfield allocations may be needed outside of existing urban areas to plan for the new homes and businesses that Wiltshire's growing community needs. Such growth is being planned so that it is supported by adequate infrastructure.

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Appointment of Committees and Review of Allocation of Seats on Committees to Political Groups

1. This report guides the Council in constituting and re-appointing committees and following the legal requirements in allocating seats to political groups.

Legal Position

- 2. Under the Local Government & Housing Act 1989 ("the Act") and subsequent Regulations, ("the Regulations"), the Council must review the representation of the different political groups on committees at the Annual Council meeting.
- 3. It is open to the Council when carrying out a review to adopt some arrangement other than that prescribed by the Act and the Regulations. Notice of such a proposal would have to be given in the Summons, and a decision would need to be made with no one voting against it. The remainder of this report assumes that the Council will not want an alternative arrangement to that prescribed by law.

Political Groups

4. 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	27
Independent	6
Labour	3
Vacancy	1

- 5. Under the regulations, two or more Councillors may form and register a group by notice to the Proper Officer.
- 6. In accordance with the Council's previous practice, it will treat a vacancy as being retained by the group which held the seat at the time a vacancy occurred, and undertake a review of the group allocations following a by-election when the impact on proportionality is known.
- 7. As a result, the allocations will be calculated on the basis of group strengths of Con 61, LD 28, Ind 6, Lab 3.
- 8. This report has been prepared on the basis of the strengths of the various political groups as they currently stand as set out in paragraph 7 above.

Principles

- 9. The Act sets out four principles which must be followed so far as reasonably practicable. They are:
 - a) Preventing domination by a single group: All the seats on a committee should not be allocated to the same political group.
 - b) Ensuring a majority group enjoys a majority on all committees: If one political group has a majority in the full Council, that political group should have a majority on each committee.
 - c) Aggregating all committee places and allocating fair shares: Subject to the above two principles, the total number of seats on all the committees of the Authority allocated to each political group should be in the same proportion as that political group's seats on the full Council.
 - d) Ensuring as far as practicable fairness on each committee: Subject to the above three principles, the number of seats on each committee of the Authority allocated to each political group should be in the same proportion as that political group's seats on the full Council.

Application of Principles

- 10. The Council must review the establishment of its committees in accordance with the principles laid down in the Act.
- 11. Immediately after this is done, each political group should state the names of the Councillors it wishes to take its allocated places on committees, including substitutes, and when those wishes are known, the Council is under a duty to make the appointment of those Councillors as soon as practicable.
- 12. It is a legal requirement however that the Council formally approves the appointment of Councillors to committees and therefore it is essential that each political group notifies Democratic Services of their nominated Councillors to serve on committees.

Councillors not in a Political Group

13. In the case of Councillors who are not Councillors of a political group, a proportion of seats on committees equal to the proportion of Council Councillors who do not belong to a political group has to be reserved, with appointments to these seats being made by the Council at its discretion. There are no ungrouped Councillors on this Council at this time.

Committees of the Council

- 14. There are currently the following committees:
 - Strategic Planning Committee
 - Area Planning Committees: Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western
 - Licensing Committee
 - Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
 - Children's Select Committee

- Environment Select Committee
- Health Select Committee
- Standards Committee
- Audit and Governance Committee
- Staffing Policy Committee
- Officer Appointments Committee
- Electoral Review Committee
- Appeals Committee
- Wiltshire Police and Crime Panel (joint with Swindon Borough Council)
- Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee (joint with Swindon Borough Council)
- 15. Outside the scope of this report are the Cabinet, the Health and Wellbeing Board and Local Pension Board, as the political proportionality rules do not apply to these bodies. The membership of the boards will be included for noting in the motion, along with the non-committee working groups of the Corporate Parenting Panel and Safeguarding Children and Young People Panel, which are not required to be appointed proportionally but the council has chosen to apply such proportions. The Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority is a separate entity, and the current Wiltshire Councillors will be included for information.

Area Boards

- 16. Area boards are appointed by the Council under Section 102 of the Local Government Act 1972. These are constituted as area committees within the meaning of Section 18 of the Local Government Act 2000 and regulations made under that section for the purposes of discharging functions delegated by the executive (or not otherwise reserved). They are not subject to the rules on political proportionality. A list of these area boards is set out at Appendix 1 to this report.
- 17. All unitary Councillors representing the electoral divisions covered by the Area Board will be appointed to their respective area board.
- 18. Marlborough, Pewsey and Tidworth community areas are established as a single area committee known as the Eastern Wiltshire Area Committee. The area committee appoints three sub-committees, each of which operate as an Area Board, known as Marlborough Area Board, Pewsey Area Board and Tidworth Area Board respectively.

Local Pension Board

19. Under the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 and consequent amendments to the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013, each administering authority is required to appoint a local pension board to assist the administering authority to comply with relevant legislation and guidance, and to ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the Local Government Pension Scheme. Such Boards are constituted entirely under the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 and are not local authority committees.

Health and Wellbeing Board

20. Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012, the Council is required to appoint a Health and Wellbeing Board that works with partners, including the GP-led Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), to prepare a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for the Council and the CCG and to encourage the delivery of integrated services. The Board is to be regarded as an ordinary committee of the Council other than for proportionality and is therefore appointed by the Council, reports to the Council and with membership, as defined by the legislation, agreed by the Council as set out in the constitution

Children's Select Committee

21. This Committee must include nominees of the Church of England, the Roman Catholic Church and a number of elected parent governor representatives (historically there have been 3 appointed representatives – one from each school sector). They will be voting Councillors. In accordance with the principle set out at 7(b) above, the majority group are entitled to appoint additional Councillors to ensure it enjoys a majority. The Council also has discretion to appoint an unlimited number of co-opted Councillors onto this committee as representatives of children's organisations/agencies (historically this has been on a non-voting basis).

Joint Committees

Police and Crime Panel

- 22. The Wiltshire Police and Crime Panel as constituted under the Police and Social Responsibility Act 2011 is a committee of Swindon and Wiltshire and the two councils are required to meet a "balanced appointment objective" whereby its Councillors reflect both the geographical and political nature of the two councils plus the skills and experiences required to fulfil the Panel's functions. Wiltshire's Police and Crime Panel comprises 11 Elected Councillors, plus two independent members, with the ratio of Elected Councillors 7:4 in favour of Wiltshire Council.
- 23. The membership of the Wiltshire Police and Crime Panel must reflect the political proportionality of the two councils.
- 24. Following elections on 4 May 2023 Swindon's current political composition is as follows:

Conservative: 22 Liberal Democrat: 1

Labour: 33 Independent: 1

- 25. As noted Swindon Borough Council are entitled to 4 councillors on the joint committee, with Wiltshire Council entitled to 7 councillors.
- 26. When taken with the political composition with Wiltshire Council, and considering against the combined total of councillors, the allocation to the committee with each group considered individually would be:

SEATS	CON (Wilts)	CON (Swindon)	LD (Wilts)	LD (Swindon)	LAB (Wilts)	LAB (Swindon)	Ind (Wilts)	Ind (Swindon)
11	4	2	2	0	0	2	1	0
11	4.329	1.561	1.987	0.071	0.213	2.342	0.426	0.071

27. Swindon is therefore entitled to appoint 2 Conservatives and 2 Labour Councillors, leaving Wiltshire to appoint 4 Conservatives, 2 Liberal Democrats, and 1 Independent.

Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee

- 28. The Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee must also reflect the proportionality of both Wiltshire and Swindon Borough Council.
- 29. The Committee is constituted of five Wiltshire Council Councillors and two Swindon Borough Council Councillors. In addition to the seven elected Councillors, there are also two voting and two non-voting representatives co-opted representatives.
- 30. Using the same method as with the Police and Crime Panel as below:

SEATS	CON (Wilts)	CON (Swindon)	LD (Wilts)	LD (Swindon)	LAB (Wilts)	LAB (Swindon)	Ind (Wilts)	Ind (Swindon)
7	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
7	2.755	0.994	1.265	0.045	0.135	1.490	0.271	0.045

31. Swindon Borough Council is therefore entitled to appoint one Conservative and one Labour Member, leaving Wiltshire Council to appoint three Conservative, one Lib Dem and one Independent.

Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority

32. The political proportionality requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 applies to appointments to the Fire Authority. Wiltshire is entitled to appoint 6 Councillors to the Fire Authority, based on the respective strengths of the political groups the allocation of places is:

Conservative	61	4 seats (3.735)
Lib Dem	28	2 seats (1.714)
Labour	3	0 seat (0.184)
Independent	6	0 seat (0.367)

Method of Calculating the Allocation of Places to Political groups

- 33. The principles in paragraph 7 can be applied in the following sequence:
 - i. Calculate the total number of seats with votes on all the ordinary committees.
 - Calculate the proportion that each political group forms of the total Councillorship of the Authority. Reserve an appropriate number of seats for ungrouped Councillors.
 - iii. Apply those proportions to the total number of ordinary committee seats to give the aggregate entitlement of each group; the requirement to apply the

proportions "so far as reasonably practicable" can be met by rounding down fractional entitlements of less than half, and rounding up entitlements of a half or more; if this results in a greater aggregate than the number of seats available, the fractional entitlement(s) closest to a half should be rounded in the other direction until entitlements balance the available seats.

- iv. Apply the proportions to the number of Councillors on each ordinary committee to give provisional entitlement to seats on that committee.
- v. If the provisional entitlement gives only one group seats on the committee, adjust the entitlement so that the next largest group has a seat (thus applying principle (a) in paragraph 9).
- vi. Finally, adjust the seats on each committee so that the total allocated to each group is as near as possible to their aggregate entitlement, whilst preserving the results reached at steps (iv) and (v) (thus applying principle (c) in paragraph 9).
- 34. The Council is free to adopt any aggregate number of places on ordinary committees so long as it follows the principles in paragraph 9 and the sequence in paragraph 33.
- 35. A numerical guide to proportional representation on Committees is included at Appendix 2 to reflect the Council's updated political composition. Group Leaders have agreed the allocation of the aggregate number of places on ordinary committees as follows:

Conservative: 107 Liberal Democrat: 49

Labour: 5

Independent: 11

This amounts to 172 committee places, not including the joint committees which will be allocated proportionately separately as detailed in this report.

- 36. A draft scheme of committee places will be provided at the meeting. With the joint committees allcoated separately as detailed in this report the net position is that Labour would decrease by one seat on ordinary committees, Independents would decrease by one seat on ordinary committees, and Conservatives would gain two seats on ordinary committees.
- 37. A numerical guide to proportional representation on Committees is included at Appendix 2 to reflect the Council's updated political composition.

Proposal

- 38. The Council is asked:
 - i. To note this report and the legal requirements.
 - ii. To re-appoint the following committees with the terms of reference as set out in the Constitution:
 - Strategic Planning Committee

- Area Planning Committees: Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western
- Licensing Committee
- Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
- Children's Select Committee
- Environment Select Committee
- Health Select Committee
- Standards Committee
- Audit and Governance Committee
- Staffing Policy Committee
- Officer Appointments Committee
- Electoral Review Committee
- Appeals Committee
- Wiltshire Police and Crime Panel (joint with Swindon Borough Council)
- Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee (joint with Swindon Borough Council)
- Health and Wellbeing Board
- iii. To re-appoint those Area Boards, constituted as area committees as set out in Appendix 1 of this report and within the constitution to comprise the Unitary Councillors for that area.
- iv. To re-appoint the Local Pension Board established under the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 and consequent amendments to the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013.
- v. To appoint Councillors to the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority, in accordance with the guidance set out in this report.
- vi. To approve a scheme of committee places which sets out the number of seats available to Councillors of the Council and to political groups (Appendix 3).

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Background papers: None

Appendices

Appendix 1 – List of Area Boards

Appendix 2 – Numerical Guide to political proportionality

Appendix 3 – Draft Scheme of committee places (to follow)

Appendix 1 - Area Boards

Bradford-on-Avon Area Board

Electoral Divisions (4)

Bradford on Avon North, Bradford on Avon South, Holt, Winsley and Westwood.

Calne Area Board

Electoral Divisions (5)

Calne Central, Calne Chilvester and Abberd, Calne North, Calne Rural, Calne South.

Chippenham and Villages Area Board

Electoral Divisions (10)

By Brook, Chippenham Cepen Park and Derriards, Chippenham Cepen Park and Hunters Moon, Chippenham Hardenhuish, Chippenham Hardens and Central, Chippenham Monkton, Chippenham Lowden and Rowden, Chippenham Pewsham, Chippenham Sheldon, Kington.

Corsham Area Board

Electoral Divisions (4)

Box and Colerne, Corsham Ladbrook, Corsham Pickwick, Corsham Without.

Devizes Area Board

Electoral Divisions (7)

Bromham, Rowde and Roundway, Devizes East, Devizes North, Devizes Rural West, Devizes South, The Lavingtons, Urchfont and Bishops Cannings.

Malmesbury Area Board

Electoral Divisions (4)

Brinkworth, Malmesbury, Minety, Sherston.

Marlborough Area Board

Electoral Divisions (3)

Aldbourne and Ramsbury, Marlborough East, Marlborough West.

Melksham Area Board

Electoral Divisions (6)

Bowerhill, Melksham East, Melksham Forest, Melksham South, Melksham Without North and Shurnhold. Melksham Without West and Rural.

Pewsey Area Board

Electoral Divisions (3)

Pewsey, Pewsey Vale East, Pewsey Vale West.

Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board

Electoral Divisions (6)

Cricklade and Latton, Lyneham, Purton, Royal Wootton Bassett East, Royal Wootton Bassett North, Royal Wootton Bassett South and West.

Salisbury Area Board

Electoral Divisions (8)

Salisbury Bemerton, Salisbury Fisherton and Bemerton Village, Salisbury Harnham East, Salisbury Harnham West, Salisbury St Edmund's, Salisbury St Francis and Stratford, Salisbury Milford, Salisbury St Paul's.

Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Electoral Divisions (6)

Alderbury and Whiteparish, Downton and Ebble Valley, Laverstock, Old Sarum and Lower Bourne Valley, Redlynch and Lanford, Winterslow and Upper Bourne Valley.

South West Wiltshire Area Board

Electoral Divisions (5)

Fovant and Chalke Valley, Mere, Nadder Valley, Tisbury, Wilton.

Stonehenge Area Board

Electoral Divisions (6)

Amesbury East and Bulford, Amesbury West, Amesbury South, Avon Valley, Durrington, Till Valley.

Tidworth Area Board

Electoral Divisions (3)

Chute, Chute Forest, Collingbourne Ducis, Collingbourne Kingston, Everleigh, Ludgershall, Tidworth.

Trowbridge Area Board

Electoral Divisions (9)

Hilperton, Southwick, Trowbridge Adcroft, Trowbridge Central, Trowbridge Drynham, Trowbridge Grove, Trowbridge Lambrok, Trowbridge Park, Trowbridge Paxcroft.

Warminster Area Board

Electoral Divisions (5)

Warminster Broadway, Warminster North and Rural, Warminster East, Warminster West, Wylye Valley.

Westbury Area Board

Electoral Divisions (4)

Ethandune, Westbury East, Westbury North, Westbury West.

Appendix 2 – Numerical Guide to Political Proportionality

Total Councillors – 98 Total Committee places - 172

	Conservative	Liberal Democrat	Labour	Ind
No. of Places	61	28	3	6
1	0.622	0.286	0.031	0.061
2	1.245	0.571	0.061	0.122
3	1.867	0.857	0.092	0.184
4	2.490	1.143	0.122	0.245
5	3.112	1.429	0.153	0.306
6	3.735	1.714	0.184	0.367
7	4.357	2.000	0.214	0.429
8	4.980	2.286	0.245	0.490
9	5.602	2.571	0.276	0.551
10	6.224	2.857	0.306	0.612
11	6.847	3.143	0.337	0.673
12	7.469	3.429	0.367	0.735
13	8.092	3.714	0.398	0.796
14	8.714	4.000	0.429	0.857
15	9.337	4.286	0.459	0.918
16	9.959	4.571	0.490	0.980
17	10.582	4.857	0.520	1.041
18	11.204	5.143	0.551	1.102
19	11.827	5.429	0.582	1.163
20	12.449	5.714	0.612	1.224
21	13.071	6.000	0.643	1.286
22	13.694	6.286	0.673	1.347
23	14.316	6.571	0.704	1.408
24	14.939	6.857	0.735	1.469
25	15.561	7.143	0.765	1.531
26	16.184	7.429	0.796	1.592
27	16.806	7.714	0.827	1.653
28	17.429	8.000	0.857	1.714
29	18.051	8.286	0.888	1.776
30	18.673	8.571	0.918	1.837
31	19.296	8.857	0.949	1.898
32	19.918	9.143	0.980	1.959
33	20.541	9.429	1.010	2.020
34	21.163	9.714	1.041	2.082
35	21.786	10.000	1.071	2.143
36	22.408	10.286	1.102	2.204
37	23.031	10.571	1.133	2.265
38	23.653	10.857	1.163	2.327
39	24.276	11.143	1.194	2.388
40	24.898	11.429	1.224	2.449
41	25.520	11.714	1.255	2.510
42	26.143	12.000	1.286	2.571
43	26.765	12.286	1.316	2.633

44	27.388	12.571	1.347	2.694
45	28.010	12.857	1.378	2.755
46	28.633	13.143	1.408	2.816
47	29.255	13.429	1.439	2.878
48	29.878	13.714	1.469	2.939
49	30.500	14.000	1.500	3.000
50	31.122	14.286	1.531	3.061
51	31.745	14.571	1.561	3.122
52	32.367	14.857	1.592	3.184
53	32.990	15.143	1.622	3.245
54	33.612	15.429	1.653	3.306
55	34.235	15.714	1.684	3.367
56	34.857	16.000	1.714	3.429
	35.480	16.286	1.745	3.490
57	36.102	16.571	1.776	3.551
58	36.724	16.857	1.806	3.612
59				
60	37.347	17.143	1.837	3.673
61	37.969	17.429	1.867	3.735
62	38.592	17.714	1.898	3.796
63	39.214	18.000	1.929	3.857
64	39.837	18.286	1.959	3.918
65	40.459	18.571	1.990	3.980
66	41.082	18.857	2.020	4.041
67	41.704	19.143	2.051	4.102
68	42.327	19.429	2.082	4.163
69	42.949	19.714	2.112	4.224
70	43.571	20.000	2.143	4.286
71	44.194	20.286	2.173	4.347
72	44.816	20.571	2.204	4.408
73	45.439	20.857	2.235	4.469
74	46.061	21.143	2.265	4.531
75	46.684	21.429	2.296	4.592
76	47.306	21.714	2.327	4.653
77	47.929	22.000	2.357	4.714
78	48.551	22.286	2.388	4.776
79	49.173	22.571	2.418	4.837
80	49.796	22.857	2.449	4.898
81	50.418	23.143	2.480	4.959
82	51.041	23.429	2.510	5.020
	51.663	23.714	2.541	5.082
83	52.286	24.000	2.571	5.143
84	52.908	24.286	2.602	5.204
85	52.908	24.200	2.633	5.265
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87	54.153	24.857	2.663	5.327
88	54.776	25.143	2.694	5.388
89	55.398	25.429	2.724	5.449
90	56.020	25.714	2.755	5.510
91	56.643	26.000	2.786	5.571
92	57.265	26.286	2.816	5.633
93	57.888	26.571	2.847	5.694
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101	62.867	28.857	3.092	6.184
102	63.490	29.143	3.122	6.245
103	64.112	29.429	3.153	6.306
104	64.735	29.714	3.184	6.367
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109	67.847	31.143	3.337	6.673
110	68.469	31.429	3.367	6.735
111	69.092	31.714	3.398	6.796
112	69.714	32.000	3.429	6.857
113	70.337	32.286	3.459	6.918
114	70.959	32.571	3.490	6.980
115	71.582	32.857	3.520	7.041
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134	83.408	38.286	4.102	8.204
135	84.031	38.571	4.133	8.265
	84.653	38.857	4.163	8.327
136	85.276	39.143	4.194	8.388
137	85.898	39.429	4.194	8.449
138	86.520	39.714	4.255	8.510
139	87.143	40.000	4.286	8.571
140	87.765	40.286	4.316	8.633
141	88.388	40.571	4.347	8.694
142	89.010	40.857	4.347	8.755
143	89.633	41.143	4.378	
144	90.255	41.143	4.408	8.816 8.878
145				
146	90.878	41.714	4.469	8.939
147	91.500	42.000	4.500	9.000

148	92.122	42.286	4.531	9.061
149	92.745	42.571	4.561	9.122
	93.367	42.857	4.592	9.184
150	93.990	43.143	4.622	9.245
151	94.612	43.429	4.653	9.306
152	95.235	43.714	4.684	9.367
153				
154	95.857	44.000	4.714	9.429
155	96.480	44.286	4.745	9.490
156	97.102	44.571	4.776	9.551
157	97.724	44.857	4.806	9.612
158	98.347	45.143	4.837	9.673
159	98.969	45.429	4.867	9.735
160	99.592	45.714	4.898	9.796
161	100.214	46.000	4.929	9.857
162	100.837	46.286	4.959	9.918
163	101.459	46.571	4.990	9.980
164	102.082	46.857	5.020	10.041
165	102.704	47.143	5.051	10.102
166	103.327	47.429	5.082	10.163
167	103.949	47.714	5.112	10.224
168	104.571	48.000	5.143	10.286
169	105.194	48.286	5.173	10.347
170	105.816	48.571	5.204	10.408
171	106.439	48.857	5.235	10.469
172	107.061	49.143	5.265	10.531
	107	49	5	11

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Appointment of Councillors to Committees

Introduction

1. Following on from the decision to formally re-appoint committees and allocate seats to political groups, the Council must formally agree the appointment of councillors and substitutes to those Committees in accordance with the scheme of committee places that is agreed.

Appointment of Councillors and Substitutes

- 2. Each political group should state the names of the councillors it wishes to take its allocated places on committees and when those wishes are known, the Council is under a duty to make the appointment of those councillors as soon as practicable.
- 3. It is a legal requirement, however, that the Council formally approves the appointment of councillors to committees and therefore it is essential that each political group notifies the Democracy Manager (Democratic Services) on behalf of the Proper Officer of their nominated councillors to serve on committees by noon Monday 15 May 2023. Group Leaders may also wish to bear in mind the advantages of achieving a geographical spread of appointees particularly for area planning committees.
- 4. The Constitution currently provides that the Council will appoint substitute councillors to serve on each committee. ach political group is currently entitled to appoint up to four substitutes where it has a councillor on that committee. As with nominations of committee members (see paragraph 2 above) it is essential that each political group notifies the Democracy Manager (Democratic Services) on behalf of the Proper Officer of their nominated substitute members to serve on committees.
- 5. Councillors are encouraged to make use of the substitute system to ensure committees are fully represented in the case of absences by the appointed members. If a councillor finds that they are unable to attend a meeting, then they should contact Democratic Services to make their apologies and state in writing who will substitute for them at that meeting.

Committees of the Council

6. There are specific issues that need to be considered under the appointment of councillors.

- 7. The statutory rules regarding senior officers appointments embodied in the Council's Constitution require the Officer Appointments Committee to include at least one member of the Executive.
- 8. The Staffing Policy Committee requires two members of the Cabinet be included, as Cabinet representation is required on its sub-committees by the Council's constitution.
- 9. The Standards Committee currently allows for up to 8 non-voting co-opted members to be appointed, half of which must be town or parish council representatives. In May 2021 Full Council agreed that 4 co-opted members should be appointed, and delegated the appointment to the Standards Committee to appoint for the remainder of the council term.
- 10. As part of the Council's arrangements for dealing with Code of Conduct complaints, the Council is required to appoint at least one Independent Person whose views must be sought and taken into account before the Council makes a decision on an allegation it has decided to investigate. The Council in May 2021 appointed three Independent Persons for a four year term.
- 11. The Children's Select Committee must include nominees of the Church of England, the Roman Catholic Church and a number of elected parent governor representatives (historically there have been 3 appointed representatives one from each school sector). These would be voting members. The Council also has discretion to appoint an unlimited number of co-opted members onto this committee as representatives of children's organisations/agencies (historically this has been on a non-voting basis).
- 12. Wherever possible the members of Area Planning Committees should be made up of local councillors. The geographical consideration does not apply to the Strategic Planning Committee where applications of a more strategic nature are determined and where members are expected to apply a more strategic approach.
- 13. All unitary councillors representing the electoral divisions covered by an Area Board will be appointed to their relevant area board as set out in Appendix 1 to this report.
- 14. Para 6.2.2 of Part 2 of the Constitution states that the chairmen of each Scrutiny Select Committees should have a seat on the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee. It has also previously been considered appropriate that the Chairman of the Financial Planning Task Group should also have a seat on the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee. Similar conventions have previously been in place in respect of the chairmen of the 4 Area Planning Committees having a seat on the Strategic Planning Committee. Group Leaders are therefore asked to consider these conventions when submitting their nominations for committee places.

Matters for Decision

- a) To appoint councillors to serve on those committees in accordance with the agreed scheme of allocations, until the next occasion membership is reviewed under the provisions of the Local Government & Housing Act 1989.
- b) To appoint substitute members (to a maximum of four per group) to the committees referred to in (a) above.
- c) To appoint those councillors representing electoral divisions to their respective area boards as set out in Appendix 1 to this report.
- d) To note that following delegation by Full Council the Standards Committee appointed the following persons as non-voting co-opted members of the Standards Committee for the remainder of the council term:
 - Gordon Ball
 - Kathy Barnes
 - Joanne Cetti
 - Julie Phllips
- e) To note that Council has appointed the following persons as Independent Persons for the remainder of the council term:
 - Tony Drew
 - Pat Bunche
 - John McAllister
- f) To note the following non-elected members of the Children's Select Committee have been appointed:

Non-Elected Voting Members	Representing
Vacancy	Church of England
Dr Mike Thompson	Clifton Diocese Roman Catholic Church
Vacancy	Parent Governor (Secondary- maintained)
Vacancy	Parent Governor (Secondary – academy)
Vacancy	Parent Governor (Special Educational Needs)
Vacancy	Parent Governor (Primary)
Non-Elected Non-Voting Members	Representing
Maisy Humphrey (Sub Declan Kiely)	School, Children and Young People representatives

Non-Elected Voting Members	Representing
Nikki Barnett	Further Education Representative
Sarah Busby	Secondary Schools Headteacher Representative
Catriona Williamcon	Primary School Headteachers Representative
John Hawkins	School Teacher Representative

g) To note the following co-opted members of the Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee:

Name	Representing
(to be confirmed – currently Cllr Vijay Manro)	Swindon Borough Councillor (as determined by Swindon Borough Council)
(to be confirmed – currently Cllr Kevin Small)	Swindon Borough Councillor (as determined by Swindon Borough Council)
Tracy Adams	Employer Representative
Claire Anthony	Employer Representative
Stuart Dark	Scheme Member Observer- appointed by Unison
Mike Pankiewicz	Scheme Member Observer- appointed by Unison

h) To note the membership of the Local Pension Board under the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 until the expiry of the 4 year term:

Name	Representing
Mark Spilsbury	Independent Chairman
George Simmonds	Scheme Member Representative
Marlene Corbey	Scheme Member Representative
Mike Pankiewicz	Scheme Member Representative
Paul Smith	Employer Member Representative
Laura Fisher	Employer Member Representative
Vacancy	Employer Member Representative

i) To note the following co-opted members to the Police and Crime Panel:

Name	Representing
To be confirmed – previously Cllr Jenny Jeffries	Swindon Borough Council (as determined by Swindon Borough Council)
To be confirmed – currently Cllr Abdul Amin	Swindon Borough Council (as determined by Swindon Borough Council)
To be confirmed – currently Cllr Carol Shelley	Swindon Borough Council (as determined by Swindon Borough Council)
To be confirmed – currently Cllr Kevin Parry	Swindon Borough Council (as determined by Swindon Borough Council)
Denisa Ahmeti	Independent co-optee
Louise Williams	Independent co-optee

Perry Holmes, Director, Legal and Governance (and Monitoring Officer)

Report Author: Kieran Elliott, Democracy Manager (Democratic Services) Manager)

Appendices

Appendix 1 – List of appointments to Area Boards

Appendix 2 – Membership of Committees proposals (to follow)

Area Boards: Electoral Divisions

Bradford-on-Avon Area Board

Electoral Divisions 4

Bradford on Avon North

Bradford on Avon South

Holt

Winsley and Westwood

Tim Trimble

Sarah Gibson

Trevor Carbin

Johnny Kidney

Calne Area Board

Electoral Divisions 5

Calne Central Ian Thorn
Calne Chilvester and Abberd Tony Trotman
Calne North Tom Rounds
Calne Rural Ashley O'Neill

Calne South Sam Pearce-Kearney

Chippenham and Villages Area Board

Electoral Divisions 10

By Brook Nick Botterill Chippenham Cepen Park & Nic Puntis

Derriards

Chippenham Cepen Park & Hunters Peter Hutton

Moon

Chippenham Hardenhuish Kathryn MacDermid

Chippenham Hardens and Central
Chippenham Monkton
Chippenham Lowden and Rowden
Chippenham Pewsham
Chippenham Sheldon
Chippenham Chippenham Sheldon
Chippenham Chippenham

Corsham Area Board

Electoral Divisions 4

Box and Colerne Dr Brian Mathew
Corsham Ladbrook Ruth Hopkinson
Corsham Pickwick Helen Belcher
Corsham Without Derek Walters

Devizes Area Board

Electoral Divisions 7

Bromham, Rowde and Roundway Laura Mayes
Devizes East Kelvin Nash

Devizes North
Devizes Rural West
Tamara Reay
Devizes South
Simon Jacobs
The Lavingtons
Dominic Muns
Urchfont and Bishops Cannings
Philip Whitehead

Malmesbury Area Board

Electoral Divisions 4

Brinkworth Elizabeth Threlfall
Malmesbury Gavin Grant
Minety Chuck Berry
Sherston Martin Smith

Marlborough Area Board

Electoral Divisions 3

Aldbourne & Ramsbury James Sheppard
Marlborough East Caroline Thomas
Marlborough West Jane Davies

Melksham Area Board

Electoral Divisions 6

Bowerhill Nick Holder
Melksham East Mike Sankey
Melksham Forest Jack Oatley
Melksham South Jon Hubbard
Melksham Without North and Phil Alford

Shurnhold

Melksham Without West and Rural Jonathon Seed

Pewsey Area Board

Electoral Divisions 3

Pewsey Vale East Stuart Wheeler Pewsey Vale West Paul Oatway QPM

Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board

Electoral Divisions 6

Cricklade and Latton Bob Jones MBE
Lyneham Allison Bucknell
Purton Jacqui Lay

Royal Wootton Bassett East Royal Wootton Bassett North Royal Wootton Bassett South and West Steve Bucknell Mary Champion David Bowler

Salisbury Area Board

Electoral Divisions 8

Salisbury Bemerton Heath Caroline Corbin Salisbury Fisherton and Bemerton Ricky Rogers

Village

Salisbury Harnham East
Salisbury Harnham West
Salisbury Milford
Salisbury St Edmund's
Salisbury St Francis & Stratford
Salisbury St Paul's
Sven Hocking
Brian Dalton
Charles McGrath
Paul Sample JP
Dr Mark McClelland
Sam Charleston

Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Electoral Divisions 6

Alderbury and Whiteparish
Downton and Ebble Valley
Laverstock
Old Sarum and Lower Bourne Valley
Redlynch and Lanford
Winterslow and Upper Bourne Valley
Richard Britton
Richard Britton
Richard Clewer
Ian McLennan
Andrew Oliver
Zoë Clewer
Rich Rogers

South West Wiltshire Area Board

Electoral Divisions 5

Fovant and Chalke Valley

Mere

Nadder Valley

Tisbury

Wilton

Nabil Najjar

George Jeans

Bridget Wayman

By-election 8 June 23

Pauline Church

Stonehenge Area Board

Electoral Divisions 6

Amesbury East and Bulford
Amesbury South
Amesbury West
Avon Valley
Durrington

Mark Verbinnen
Robert Yuill
Dr Monica Devendran
Ian Blair-Pilling
Graham Wright

Till Valley Kevin Daley

Tidworth Area Board

Electoral Divisions 3

Ludgershall North and Rural Christopher Williams
Tidworth East and Ludgershall South Tony Pickernell

Tidworth North and West Mark Connolly

Trowbridge Area Board

Electoral Divisions 9

Ernie Clark Hilperton Southwick Horace Prickett Trowbridge Adcroft **Edward Kirk Trowbridge Central** Stewart Palmen Trowbridge Drynham Antonio Piazza **Trowbridge Grove David Vigar** Trowbridge Lambrok Jo Trigg Trowbridge Park **Daniel Cave** Trowbridge Paxcroft Mel Jacob

Warminster Area Board

Electoral Divisions 5

Warminster Broadway
Warminster East
Warminster North and Rural
Warminster West
Tony Jackson
Andrew Davis
Bill Parks
Pip Ridout

Wylye Valley Christopher Newbury

Westbury Area Board

Electoral Divisions 4

Ethandune Suzanne Wickham Westbury East Gordon King Westbury North Carole King Westbury West Matthew Dean



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Appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees

Council is asked:

- a) To appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the following meetings:
 - Strategic Planning Committee
 - Northern Area Planning Committee
 - Eastern Area Planning Committee
 - Southern Area Planning Committee
 - Western Area Planning Committee
 - Licensing Committee
 - Standards Committee
 - Audit and Governance Committee
 - Staffing Policy Committee
 - Officer Appointments Committee
 - Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee (Chairman only)
 - Health and Wellbeing Board (Chairman only)
- b) To note that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, Children's Select Committee, Health Select Committee, Environment Select Committee, the Wiltshire Police and Crime Panel, the Electoral Review Committee, and all Area Boards, will be asked to elect their respective Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen at their first meeting following the annual meeting of council. The Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee will be asked to elect their Vice-Chairman at their first meeting following the annual meeting of council.
- c) To note that the Appeals Committee does not meet as a formal committee and so will not appoint a Chairman or Vice-Chairman. However, three members who have undergone appropriate training are drawn from its membership to form Appeal Sub-Committees to consider and determine various types of appeals. Each Sub-Committee when convened will elect its own chairman.

Perry Holmes - Director, Legal and Governance (and Monitoring Officer)

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Background papers: None



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Item 15 - Members' Questions

From Cllr Carole King - Westbury North

To Cllr Caroline Thomas, Cabinet Member for Transport, Street Scene, and Flooding

Question (23-04)

With WC's extensive road network and the current state of their roads, as is the problem nationally, including the extent of potholes, has WC applied for any further grants to help with their maintenance? Specifically, have they expressed an interest in the scenario as described below, and if not, would the Council consider offering to run a future trial?

I am aware (MPA summer 22 magazine) that new research has shown that the introduction of hydrated lime (calcium hydroxide) in asphalt can extend the life of road surfaces. A long term trial on a stretch of the A38 in Devon in 2021 is being monitored by the British Lime Association alongside Devon CC and their partners Aggregate Industries and South West Highways and others who provide technical support and annual surveys.

It is hoped that these trials will prove that road maintenance and resurfacing intervals can be extended, helping LA budgets to stretch further.

"The British Lime Association is interested in hearing from other highway authorities who may be interested in running a similar trial." (For details contact the BLA at www.britishlime.org.)

Response:

The Department for Transport (DfT) provides annual grant funding to local highway authorities for highway maintenance purposes. The amount made available is based on a formulaic approach that looks at the total length of highway and its classification. The amount made available to the Council for 2023/24 stands at £20,727m. In addition, and in recognition of the deterioration of the highway network nationally through the 2022/23 winter period, the DfT have made available an additional grant of £3,684,800m in 2023/24 to help address carriageway condition.

The trials in Devon using hydrated lime are known about and the results will be monitored. The Council through its own contracts and supply chain keeps in touch with innovations in surfacing materials at a national level and will look to use once proven.

Item 15 - Members' Questions

From Cllr Edward Kirk - Trowbridge Adcroft

To Cllr Phil Alford, Cabinet Member for Housing, Strategic Assets and Asset Transfer

Question (23-05)

Please can the Cabinet Member responsible confirm that Wiltshire Council will make an estimated net saving of £365,000 per annum from Trowbridge Town Council willingly agreeing to the Service Delegation and Asset Transfer Package (inc. The Down Cemetery) and that the Service Delegation and Asset Transfer was not forced upon Trowbridge Town Council and that it was therefore entirely their decision to forgo these Services previously provided by Wiltshire Council as part of Council Tax?

Response:

Trowbridge Town council approached us to discuss a service devolution and asset transfer package. We have a policy in place that allows for local councils to take on service provision at their own expense if they wish to do so. This enables local communities to have more influence over the standards of service in their local environment and we were delighted to work with Trowbridge Town council to enable them to take ownership of these responsibilities.

Throughout the discussions, Trowbridge Town Council were made fully aware of our current costs and the savings that would be made by us, they also fully understood the costs that they were taking on in this delegation, including with the cemetery. The estimated savings to Wiltshire Council include £270,000 in the street scene budget and £95,000 for the delegation and transfer of Down Cemetery, totalling £365,000. At no point were these services forced upon Trowbridge Town council, they were free to decide and were keen to take them on. We have made it explicitly clear that we will continue to provide a statutory level of service across all areas of our street scene responsibility, but should a local council wish to provide a more tailored service we will support them in doing so through the service delegation process.



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Item 15 - Members' Questions

From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-06)

How many Ukrainian individuals and families are now living in Wiltshire under the Homes for Ukraine programme?

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-07)

Does the Council know how many Ukrainian households have progressed from a sponsorship into rented accommodation in Wiltshire?

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-08)

Does the Council have a known total or estimate for the total number of Ukrainians living in Wiltshire who have arrived since February 2022?

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-09)

How much has the Council now received from central Government as a result of the 'tariff' payments of £10,500 per Ukrainian in 2022 and £5,900 in 2023?

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-10)

How much does the Council expect to receive in the future from central Government as a result of the 'tariff' payments of £5,900 per Ukrainian?

[Note: Tariff funding referenced in question 23-09]

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Item 15 - Members' Questions

From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-11)

How much of that tariff funding has been spent?

[Note: Tariff funding referenced in question 23-09 and 23-10]

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From Cllr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-12)

How much of the tariff funding does the Council expect to use to buy homes through the Stone Circle Housing Company – in monetary terms and as a percentage of the tariff funding received?

[Note: Tariff funding referenced in question 23-09 and 23-11]

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-13)

How much does the Council expect to borrow for by leveraging that part of the tariff funding set aside for Stone Circle's home-buying programme?

[Note: Tariff funding referenced in questions 23-09 to 23-12]

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-14)

How many homes does the Council expect Stone Circle to acquire through use of the Ukrainian tariff funding?

[Note: Tariff funding referenced in questions 23-09 to 23-13]

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-15)

How much has Wiltshire Council been granted from the Government's £500 million Local Authority Housing Fund to obtain housing for those fleeing conflicts including in Ukraine and Afghanistan?

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From CIIr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-16)

How many homes does the Council expect the acquire with its share of the Local Authority Housing Fund?

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From Cllr David Vigar - Trowbridge Grove

To Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Military-Civilian Integration, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Health and Wellbeing

Question (23-17)

Will the Council act as a guarantor for Ukrainian families' rentals given that Government guidance issued on 16 January https://www.gov.uk/guidance/private-rented-accommodation-and-alternative-accommodation-homes-for-ukraine stated that "as per the Local Government Act 1988, it is possible for a local authority housing or social services department to act as a guarantor for someone they have a duty or a power to accommodate."