

| ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL | |
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| MEETING: | COUNTY COUNCIL |
| DATE: | 15 MAY 2018 |
| TITLE OF REPORT: | POLITICAL BALANCE ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN THE COUNCIL |
| REPORT BY: | HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES |
| PURPOSE OF REPORT: | TO REVIEW POLITICAL BALANCE ON COMMITTEES |

1.0 The Council needs to review political balance arrangements on its Committees annually.

2.0 The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 sets out the main principles governing political balance, which are:

“(a) that not all the seats on the body are allocated to the same political group;

(b) that the majority of the seats on the body is allocated to a particular political group if the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the Authority’s membership;

(c) subject to (a) and (b) above, the number of seats on the ordinary committees of a relevant Authority which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary committees of that Authority as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the Authority; and

(d) subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, that the number of the seats on the body which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the number of all the seats on that body as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the Authority.”

3.0 The position in terms of Group Membership is as follows:

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| Plaid Cymru Party of Wales | - 14 |
| Welsh Labour | - 2 |
| Y Grwp Annibynnol | - 7 |
| Anglesey Independents | - 7 (This includes 1 Liberal Democrat Member) |

4.0 The attached Matrix sets out the entitlement of seats on each Committee.

5.0 The total number of seats to be allocated is now 113 instead of 120 (Special Education Needs Committee no longer operates).

6.0 Clearly, unless the calculation arrives at whole numbers of total seats overall and the whole number of seats on each committee, then fractions will inevitably result, so that exact compliance will be impossible. It is, however, necessary to achieve the

best possible compliance on the figures with the principles set out in paragraph 2 above.

- 7.0** Each political group on the Council can only allocate the seats it receives under the political balance arrangements to its own members and cannot allocate to a Councillor who is not a member of that same political group.

8.0 Recommendations:-

- (i) The Council is requested to confirm political balance arrangements and the number of seats allocated to each of the Groups under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- (ii) that Group Leaders advise the Head of Democratic Services as soon as possible if there are any changes to Group Membership on Committees.

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Head of Democratic Services
20/4/2018

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| Balans ar y Cyngor Sir Balance on County Council | |
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| Plaid Cymru Party of Wales | 14 |
| Llafur Cymru Welsh Labour | 2 |
| Y Grwp Annibynnol | 7 |
| Annibynwyr Mon Anglesey Independents | 7 |
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| PWYLLGORAU CRAFFU A THROSOLWG SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEES | | | |
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| Pwyllgorau Committees | Partneriaeth Partnership | Corfforaethol Corporate | Cyfanswm Craffu Total Scrutiny |
| Aelodaeth Membership | 10 | 10 | 20 |
| | 4.6667 5 | 4.66667 5 | 9.33333 10 |
| | 0.6667 1 | 0.66667 1 | 1.33333 2 |
| | 2.3333 2 | 2.33333 2 | 4.66667 4 |
| | 2.3333 2 | 2.33333 2 | 4.66667 4 |
| | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 |
| | 10 10 | 10 10 | 20 20 |

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| <i>Top left, italic, theoretical fractional entitlement</i> | |
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| <i>Bottom right, normal = whole number suggestion</i> | |

| LLED-FARNWROL QUASI-JUDICIAL | | | | | | | | | PWYLLGORAU ERAILL Y CYNGOR OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL | | | | | Cyfanswm Eraill Total Others | CYFANSWM LLAWN GRAND TOTAL |
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| Pwyllgorau Committees | Cynllunio a Gorchymnion Planning and Orders | Archwilio Audit | Gwasanaethau Democraataidd Democratic Services | Penodiadau Appointments | Ymchwilio Investigation | Disgyblu Disciplinary | Apeliadau Appeals | Trwyddedu Licensing | CYSAG SACRE | Cynllunio ar y cyd Joint Planning | Tal a Graddio Pay and Grading | Penodi Safonau Standards Appointing | Is-Bwyllgor Indemnïadau Indemnities sub-Committee | | |
| Aelodaeth Membership | 11 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 93 | 113 |
| Plaid Cymru Party of Wales | 5.13333 5 | 3.73333 4 | 4.66667 5 | 4.66667 5 | 1.4 1 | 1.4 1 | 4.666667 5 | 5.133333333 5 | 2.8 3 | 3.26667 3 | 2.8 3 | 1.4 1 | 2.333333 2 | 43.4 43 | 52.7333333 |
| Llafur Labour | 0.73333 1 | 0.53333 0 | 0.66667 1 | 0.66667 1 | 0.2 0 | 0.2 0 | 0.666667 1 | 0.733333333 1 | 0.4 1 | 0.46667 0 | 0.4 1 | 0.2 0 | 0.333333 1 | 6.2 8 | 7.53333333 |
| Grwp Annibynnol Independent Group | 2.56667 2 | 1.86667 2 | 2.33333 2 | 2.33333 2 | 0.7 1 | 0.7 1 | 2.333333 2 | 2.566666667 2 | 1.4 1 | 1.63333 2 | 1.4 1 | 0.7 1 | 1.166667 1 | 21.7 20 | 26.3666667 |
| Annibynwyr Mon Anglesey Independents | 2.56667 3 | 1.86667 2 | 2.33333 2 | 2.33333 2 | 0.7 1 | 0.7 1 | 2.333333 2 | 2.566666667 3 | 1.4 1 | 1.63333 2 | 1.4 1 | 0.7 1 | 1.166667 1 | 21.7 22 | 26.3666667 |
| | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 |
| | 11 11 | 8 8 | 10 10 | 10 10 | 3 3 | 3 3 | 10 10 | 11 11 | 6 6 | 7 7 | 6 6 | 3 3 | 5 5 | 93 93 | 113 113 |