

| ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL | |
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| MEETING: | COUNTY COUNCIL |
| DATE: | 14 MAY 2015 |
| 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 on an annual basis.
- 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 In terms of Group Membership the position remains the same as reported to the Council on the 8th May 2014 namely:-

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| Plaid Cymru Party of Wales | - | 12 |
| Labour | - | 2 |
| Independent Group | - | 12 |
| Revolutionist Group | - | 2 |
| Unaffiliated | - | 2 |

- 4.0 The attached Matrix sets out the entitlement of seats to each group and the seats to non-affiliated members in accordance with local convention as confirmed by Council on the 8th May, 2014.

5.0 In accordance with political management protocols, political management arrangements have been discussed with Group Leaders.

6.0 **Recommendations:-**

- (i) to confirm the political balance arrangements and the number of seats allocated to each of the Groups under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, and the number of seats given by custom and practice to the Members not subject to political balance as set out in the matrix;
- (ii) subject to (i) above confirm that the seats designated to the unaffiliated Members continue on the basis of current appointments.
- (iii) that Group Leaders advise the Head of Democratic Services as soon as possible if there are any changes to Group membership on Committees

Huw Jones
Head of Democratic Services
27/04/15

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| Balans ar y Cyngor Sir | |
| Balance on County Council | 12 |
| Plaid Cymru | 2 |
| Party of Wales | 12 |
| Llafur | 2 |
| Labour | 12 |
| Grwp Annibynnol | 2 |
| Independent Group | 2 |
| Grwp Chwyldroad | 2 |
| Revolutionist Group | 2 |
| Heb Ymaelodi* | 2 |
| Unaffiliated* | 30 |

| PWYLLGORAU CRAFFU A THROSOLWNG SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEES | | | |
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| Pwyllgorau Committees | Partneriaeth Partnership | | Cyfansw m Craffu Total Scrutiny |
| | Aelodaeth Membership | 10 | 10 |
| | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| | 0.666667 | 0.666667 | 1.333333 |
| | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| | 0.666667 | 0.666667 | 1.333333 |
| | 0.666667 | 0.666667 | 1.333333 |
| | 10 | 10 | 20 |

ALLWEDD **KEY**

Chwith uchaf, *italic* = hawf fracsïynol/dâncafniaeth
Top left, *italic*, *theoretical* fractional entitlement

Dde isaf, arferol = awgrym (rhif llawn)
Bottom right, normal = whole number suggestion

| PWYLLGORAU ERAILL Y CYNGOR OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---|---|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Pwyllgorau Committees | Aelodaeth Membership | Cynllunio a Gorchymion Planning and Orders | Gwasanaethau Democratidd Democratic Services | Archwilio Audit | Penodiadau Appointments | Ymchwilio Investigation | Disgyblu Disciplinary | Apeliadau Appeals | Twydyddetu Licensing | CYSAG SACRE | Aghenion Adlysgol Arbenig Educational Needs | Cynllunio ar y cyd Joint Planning | Tali a Graddio Pay and Grading | Penodi Standards Appointing | Is-Bwyllgor Indennniadau Indennities sub-Committee | Cyfanswm Eraill Total Others |
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| | | 11 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 100 |
| Plaid Cymru Party of Wales | | 4.4 | 4 | 3.2 | 4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 4 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 2 | 40 |
| Llafur Labour | | 0.73333 | 0.66667 | 0.53333 | 0.66667 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.66667 | 0.733333 | 0.4 | 0.46667 | 0.46667 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.333333 | 6.666667 |
| Grwp Annibynnol Independent Group | | 4.4 | 4 | 3.2 | 4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 4 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 2 | 40 |
| Grwp Chwyldroad Revolutionist Group | | 0.73333 | 0.66667 | 0.53333 | 0.66667 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.66667 | 0.733333 | 0.4 | 0.46667 | 0.46667 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.333333 | 6.666667 |
| Heb Ymaelodi Unaffiliated | | 0.73333 | 0.66667 | 0.53333 | 0.66667 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.66667 | 0.733333 | 0.4 | 0.46667 | 0.46667 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.333333 | 6.666667 |
| | | 11 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 100 |

* Diffinir aelodau heb ymaelodi fel Aelodau nad yw'n rhan o'r grŵp gwleidyddol yn y Cyngor
*Unaffiliated Members are defined as those Members who are not Members of political groups represented on the Council

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| CYFANSWM LLAWN GRAND TOTAL | 120 |
| | 48 |
| | 8 |
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| | 48 |
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| | 120 |