

North East Derbyshire District Council

Annual Council

19 May 2025

**APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS OF THE COUNCIL'S
COMMITTEES**

Report of the Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

Classification: This report is public

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PURPOSE / SUMMARY

To appoint elected Members to serve as the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Council's Committees for the 2025-26 Municipal Year.

**DECISION ROUTE AND REASON FOR DECISION BEING BROUGHT TO
COUNCIL –**

- This is a matter usually determined at Annual Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Council appoint elected Members to serve as the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the specified Council Committees.

IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes ☐ No ☒

Details: The Council is not required by law to appoint the Chairs and Vice Chairs of its Committees and Working Groups on the basis of political proportionality. As in previous years, Council can determine these appointments on the basis of a simple majority vote at the meeting.

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION	
Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: NEDDC: Revenue - £125,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £310,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
District Wards Significantly Affected	None
Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) details:	
Stage 1 screening undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 1 to be appended if not required to do a stage 2 	Not applicable given the subject of the report.
Stage 2 full assessment undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 2 needs to be appended to the report 	No, not applicable
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes Details:

Links to Council Plan priorities;

- A great place that cares for the environment
- A great place to live well
- A great place to work
- A great place to access good public services

REPORT DETAILS

1 Background *(reasons for bringing the report)*

1.1 Council has established the following Committees:

- Audit Committee
- Business Scrutiny Committee
- Communities Scrutiny Committee
- Environment Scrutiny Committee
- Services Scrutiny Committee
- General Licensing Committee
- Licensing & Gambling Acts Committee
- Planning Committee
- Standards Committee

2. Details of Proposal or Information

2.1 The Majority Group has nominated the following elected Members to serve as Chairs or Vice Chairs of the Council's Committees for 2025-26 Municipal Year.

Audit Committee

Chair: Christine Smith

Vice Chair: David Cheetham

Business Scrutiny Committee

Chair: Suzy Cornwell

Vice Chair:

Communities Scrutiny Committee

Chair: Michael Durrant

Vice Chair: Graham Baxter

Environment Scrutiny Committee

Chair: Caroline Smith

Vice Chair: Frank Adlington-Stringer

Services Scrutiny Committee

Chair: Mick Smith

Vice Chair:

General Licensing Committee

Chair: Carol Lacey

Vice Chair: Clive Fletcher

Licensing & Gambling Acts Committee

Chair: Carol Lacey

Vice Chair: Clive Fletcher

Planning Committee

Chair: Lee Hartshorne

Vice Chair: Tony Lacey

Standards Committee

Chair: Kevin Gillott

Vice Chair: Helen Wetherall

3 Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 To appoint Chair's and Vice Chairs to the Council's Committees for the 2025-26 Municipal Year.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 None.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers)	