MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES (INCLUDING SUBSTITUTES) AND OTHER MEMBER BODIES 2025/26

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1.0 ISSUE

1.1. To consider the appointment of Members and substitutes to Committees, Sub-Committees, and other Member bodies for 2025/26.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1. That Council approves the membership of Committees, Sub-Committees and other Member bodies for 2025/26, as attached at Appendix 1.
- 2.1.1. That Council approve the appointment of a Lay Member, as set out in Appendix 1, to the Audit Committee.
- 2.2. That Council approves an amendment to the Constitution to allow an equal allocation of committee seats on the following sub-committees that do not fall under the political proportionality ruling:
 - Finance & Assets (Ethical Governance) Sub-Committee
 - Personnel Appeals Sub-Committee
 - Licensing Sub-Committee (Statutory)
- 2.2.2. That the Council approve the appointments of 2 Independent Persons and 2 Co-Opted Town/Parish Councillor Members, as set out in Appendix 1, on the Finance & Assets (Ethical Governance) Sub-Committee.

3.0 BACKGROUND/OPTIONS

3.1. A list of Committees, Sub-Committees, and other Member bodies for 2025/26 is set out in Appendix 1, several sub-committees and informal member groups have been established by the relevant committees. The sub-committees mentioned in Section 2.2 have been included in this report to align them with the Committees that were adjusted to reflect equal political proportionality numbers at the Extraordinary Council in December 2024. These Committees are also detailed in Appendix 1 for approval.

3.2. Group Leaders have been advised of the number of places available to be filled by their respective Groups on each body, as per the rules relating to proportionality (see also Agenda Item 14).

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - List of Membership of Committees, Sub-Committees and other Member bodies

Background Documents

ECDC Constitution – Part 3: Responsibility for Functions (A)Council, (B)Policy Committees, (C)Regulatory Committees & (D)Other Committees/Joint Committees