

TYNE AND WEAR FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

Item No. 6

MEETING: 18 NOVEMBER 2019

APPOINTMENT TO DISCIPLINARY APPEALS COMMITTEE 2019/2020

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY CLERK TO THE AUTHORITY

BACKGROUND

1. As Members will recall, at the Meetings of the Authority held in June and September 2019, appointments to the various committees were approved in accordance with the political balance of the Authority.

POLITICAL BALANCE AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

- 2. The political balance as at September 2019, is attached at Appendix 1, for information purposes only.
- 3. A copy of the 2019/20 composition of the Authority's Committees and Sub-Committees together with a list of the Authority's spokespersons for 2019/20, as approved at the Annual Meeting of the Authority and which incorporates the subsequent changes made at the September Authority meeting, is appended at Appendix 2 for information only.
- 4. Members will recall that a vacancy for an ungrouped Member remains on the Disciplinary Appeals Committee and is required to be filled in the event a meeting is to be called.

RECOMMENDATIONS

5. The Authority is recommended to consider the appointment of an ungrouped Member to the Disciplinary Appeals Committee.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

6. The undermentioned Background Papers refer to the subject matter of the above report:

No papers.

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APPENDIX 1

Un-Grouped

Allocation of Committee Seats – September 2019

		Labo	our	Liberal	Dem	members (Conservative)	totals check	
Authority Composition		14		2		1	17	
Committee	total	dooimal	coate	dooimal	coata	anara conta		
Committee	seats	decimal	Seals	decimal	seats	spare seats		
Governance#	6	4.9412	5	0.7059	1		5.6471	6
Policy and Performance	6	4.9412	5	0.7059	1		5.6471	6
Human Resources	8	6.5882	7	0.9412	1		7.5294	8
Appointments	7	5.7647	6	0.8235	1		6.5882	7
Disciplinary Appeals	5	4.1176	4	0.5882	0	1	5.7059	5
Personnel Appeals*	6	4.9412	5	0.7059	0	1	6.6471	6
Emergency	3	2.4706	2	0.3529	1		2.8235	3
Totals	41	33.7647	34	4.8235	5	2	40.5882 40.5882	41

#Also has 3 Independent Members

^{*}Should not be Members of Human Resources Committee

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COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

(A) Authority Committees and Sub Committees

(i) Governance Committee (6 seats – balance 5:1:0)

Independent Chairman	(Mr. G. Cook)
Independent Member	(Mr. M. Knowles)
Independent Member	(Ms. G. Goodwill)
Councillor Burdis	(Lab.)
Councillor Dodds	(Lab.)
Councillor Flynn	(Lab.)
Councillor Hunter	(Lab.)
Councillor Kilgour	(Lab.)
Councillor Woodwark	(Lib. Dem.)

(ii) Policy and Performance Committee (6 seats – balance 5:1:0)

Councillor Dodds	(Lab.)
Councillor Forbes	(Lab.)
Councillor Pickard	(Lab.)
Councillor Purvis	(Lab.)
Councillor Samuels	(Lab.)
Councillor Duggan	(Lib. Dem.)

Chair – Councillor Forbes Vice Chair – Councillor Dodds

(iii) Human Resources Committee (8 seats – balance 7:1:0)

Councillor Butler	(Lab.)
Councillor Dodds	(Lab.)
Councillor Flynn	(Lab.)
Councillor Haley	(Lab.)
Councillor Pickard	(Lab.)
Councillor Stephenson	(Lab.)
Councillor Taylor	(Lab.)
Councillor Woodwark	(Lib. Dem.)

Chair – Councillor Haley

Vice Chair – Councillor Pickard

(iv) Appointments Committee (7 seats – balance 6:1:0)

Councillor Forbes (Lab.)
Councillor Haley (Lab.)
Councillor Pickard (Lab.)
Councillor Purvis (Lab.)
Councillor Stephenson (Lab.)
Councillor Taylor (Lab.)
Councillor Woodwark (Lib Dem.)

Chair – Councillor Taylor Vice Chair – Councillor Forbes

(v) Disciplinary Appeals Committee (5 seats – balance 4:0:1)

Chair of the Authority
Vice-Chair of the Authority
Chair of Human Resources Committee
Labour Member
Ungrouped Member

(Councillor Taylor)
(Councillor Forbes)
(Councillor Haley)
(Councillor Hunter)*
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Chair – Councillor Taylor Vice Chair – Councillor Forbes

(vi) Personnel Appeals Committee (6 seats – balance 5:0:1)

(N.B. Should not be Members of Human Resources Committee)

Councillor Burdis (Lab.)
Councillor Forbes (Lab.)
Councillor Kilgour (Lab.)
Councillor Purvis (Lab.)
Councillor Samuels (Lab.)

Councillor Oliver

Chair – Councillor Forbes Vice Chair – Councillor Burdis

(vii) Emergency Committee (3 seats – balance 2:1:0)

Chair of the Authority (Councillor Taylor)
Vice-Chair (Councillor Forbes)
Liberal Democrat Member (Councillor Woodwark)

Chair – Councillor Taylor Vice Chair – Councillor Forbes

^{*}with effect from 20 June 2019

(ix) Pension Board of Tyne and Wear Fire Authority

Employer Representatives

Two Principal Officers or appropriate Grey Book Managers – Alan Robson and Tony Markwell

Councillor Flynn (substitute Councillor Purvis)

Member Representatives

Three Member representatives will be nominated by the relevant representative body or organised employee group and appointed by the Authority – Russ King, Chris Moore and Vacancy

(B) Appointment of Spokespersons

Nominations for spokesmen are required for the purpose of answering questions from Members of the Constituent Councils on the discharge of the Authority's functions: -

Gateshead - Councillor Haley
Newcastle - Councillor Forbes
North Tyneside - Councillor Burdis
South Tyneside - Councillor Flynn
Sunderland - Councillor Taylor

(C) Lead Member Roles

Nominations are required for Lead Members and Support Members:

(i) Community Engagement and Partnerships

Lead Member - Councillor Burdis
Support Member - Councillor Kilgour

(ii) Diversity and Equality

Lead Member - Councillor Haley

Support Member - Councillor Stephenson

(iii) Performance Management

Lead Member - Councillor Taylor Support Member - Councillor Forbes

(D) Local Government Association

Councillor Taylor Councillor Dodds

(E) Association of Metropolitan Fire and Rescue Authorities (AMFRA)

Councillor Taylor Councillor Dodds Substitute Member – Councillor Haley