

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989
POLITICAL BALANCE RULES**

1. The political balance rules require the Council to allocate places on relevant committees according to the strengths of the political groups on the Council. The rules apply to the following committees. They do not apply to area committees.
2. The calculation is based on the Committees and the numbers on Committee's appointed in May, 2019 and carried over into 2020/21.
3. The political groups and their current strengths are:-

Conservative	18
Labour	10
Liberal Democrat	5

4. The overall allocation of seats in committees is as follows:

Total: Con 26 Labour 13 Lib Dem 7

5. This is achieved by multiplying the number of committee places 46 by the number of members in the group and then dividing this by the overall number of eligible Councillors (33).
6. Membership of individual committees is as follows:

Policy and Resources Committee (13)

Con 7.0 (7) Labour 3.9 (4) Lib Dem 1.9 (2)

Accounts and Audit Committee (5)

Con 2.7 (3) Labour 1.5 (1) Lib Dem 0.7 (1)

Licensing Committee (11)

Con 6.0 (6) Labour 3.3 (3) Lib Dem 1.6 (2)

Taxi Licensing Committee (9)

Con 4.9 (5) Labour 2.7 (3) Lib Dem 1.3 (1)

Standards Hearing Committee (5)

Con 2.7 (3) Labour 1.5 (1) Lib Dem 0.7 (1)

Employment Appeals Panel (3)

Con 1.6 (2) Labour 0.9 (1) Lib Dem 0.4 (0)