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 political groups and their current strengths are:-

Conservative17Labour11Liberal Democrat5

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

Total:Conservative 22Labour 11Lib Dem 5

- 4. This is achieved by multiplying the number of committee places 38 by the number of members in the group and then dividing this by the overall number of eligible Councillors (33).
- 5. As the Conservative Group have an overall majority on the Council they have to have an overall majority on the Committees.
- 6. Membership of individual committees is as follows:

Policy and Resources Committee (9)

Con 4.6 (5) Labour 3.0 (3) Lib Dem 1.3 (1)

Accounts and Audit Committee (5)

Con 2.5 (3) Labour 1.6 (1) Lib Dem 0.7 (1)

Licensing Committee (9)

Con 4.6 (5) Labour 3.0 (3) Lib Dem 1.3 (1)

Taxi Licensing Committee (7)

Con 3.6 (4) Labour 2.3 (2) Lib Dem 1.0 (1)

Standards Hearing Committee (5)

Con 2.5 (3) Labour 1.6 (1) Lib Dem 0.7 (1)

Employment Appeals Panel (3)

Con 1.5 (2) Labour 1.0 (1) Lib Dem 0.4 (0)