

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 2026-2027

Committee	Total places	Nominating Group	Nominations
General Purposes	16	REFORM	Diamond, Elsender, Fascione, Humphrey, Jones, Mackings, Mouat, Oughton, Ross, S Smith, Sybenga, Wears
		GREEN	Ford, Rahman, Uddin
		STAG	Owens-Palmer
		LAB	No place allocated
Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinating and Call-in	12	REFORM	Barclay, Cain, Diamond, Oughton, Perry, Rice, Ross, Tooley, Turnbull
		GREEN	Ford, Taylor
		STAG	Oliver
		LAB	No place allocated
Adult Safeguarding, Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee	12	REFORM	Elsender, Fox, Medcalf, Murray, Ross, Thomas, Tooley, Turnbull, H Wildhirt
		GREEN	Stonehouse, Taylor
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	Kilgour
Children Safeguarding and Young People Scrutiny Committee	12	REFORM	Barclay, Cain, Jones, Ross, A Smith, Stead, Tooley, Turnbull, H Wildhirt
		GREEN	McKeown, Muquith
		STAG	Owens-Palmer
		LAB	No place allocated
Our Place & Environment Scrutiny Committee	12	REFORM	Bell, Clifton, Elsender, Fox, Mouat, Perry, Rice, Turnbull, Wears
		GREEN	Herbert, Muquith
		STAG	No place allocated

		LAB	Kilgour
Education and Skills Scrutiny Committee	12	REFORM	Barclay, Cain, Clifton, Elsender, Medcalf, Richardson, Ross, Stead, Tooley
		GREEN	Taylor, Uddin
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	Kilgour
Contracts and Commissioning Scrutiny Committee	12	REFORM	Cain, Clarke, Mouat, Oughton, Perry, Rice, Richardson, M Smith, Wears
		GREEN	Muquith, Stonehouse, Uddin
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	No place allocated
Housing Scrutiny Committee	12	REFORM	Barclay, Barr, Bell, Brown, Clarke, Mouat, Oughton, Turnbull, Wears
		GREEN	Blair, Stonehouse
		STAG	Oliver
		LAB	No place allocated
Licensing/Regulatory	15	REFORM	Brown, Clarke, Diamond, Elsender, Fox, Medcalf, Murray, Perry, Pittuck, Rice, Richardson, S Smith
		GREEN	Herbert, Rahman, Stonehouse
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	No place allocated
Planning	16	REFORM	Brown, Clarke, Clifton, Fascione, Medcalf, Mouat, Oughton, Pittuck, Rice, Stead, Turnbull, H Wildhirt
		GREEN	Blair, Ford, Rahman
		STAG	Owens-Palmer
		LAB	No place allocated
Pensions	8	REFORM	Heywood, Mackings, Maddison, Rice, Royal, M Smith
		GREEN	Herbert

		STAG	Owens-Palmer
		LAB	No place allocated
			Employer Representatives: Gareth Hall (Nexus), Tessa Assadian (Northumbria University), Eleanor Goodman (North East Combined Authority). Trade Union Representatives: Janet GREEN (UNISON), John Kelly (UNITE), Janice Liepins-Hall (UNISON)
Investment Panel			Chair of Pensions Cttee (by position), Vice Chair of Pensions Cttee (by position), Cllr Rice
People and Organisational Development Committee	11	REFORM	Elsender, Fox, Oughton, Perry, Rice, M Smith, S Smith, Tooley, H Wildhirt
		GREEN	Leather, Stonehouse
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	No place allocated
Common Land Town and Village	13	REFORM	Brown, Cain, Clifton, Mackings, Mouat, Murray, S Smith, Sybenga, Turnbull, Wears
		GREEN	McKeown, Taylor, Uddin
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	No place allocated
Standards Committee	7	REFORM	Brown, Diamond, Elsender, Mouat, S Smith* Sub: Cain *nominated to answer questions at Council
		GREEN	Herbert Sub: Leather
		STAG	Owens-Palmer
		LAB	No place allocated
		Lay Members	Professor G Wright (Chair), Independent Person:

Constitution Committee	9	REFORM	Cain, Mackings, M Smith, S Smith, Sybenga, Wears, S Wildhirt Sub: Royal
		GREEN	Ford, Uddin Sub: Muquith
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	No place allocated
Appeals			The Membership of the Appeals Panel will be taken from the Licensing/Regulatory Committee. The Panel will be chaired by the Lead Member for Finance and Resources.
People and OD Sub Committee	5		Leader, Deputy Leader, Chair of People and OD, Vice-Chair of People and OD, 1 Opposition Member to be chosen from People and OD Committee. If any of the 5 'prescribed Members' are unavailable, then an appropriate replacement from the People and OD Cttee can be approached to attend in their place. If this is not possible then the meeting/interview being conducted by the People and OD Sub Committee can proceed with a quorum of three.

COMMITTEES FALLING OUTSIDE AGGREGATED POLITICAL BALANCE CALCULATIONS

Audit	5	REFORM	Maddison, Medcalf, Rice, M Smith Sub: Perry
		GREEN	Leather Sub: Blair
		STAG	No place allocated
		LAB	No place allocated

		Co-opted Members	Jessica Shin Sophie Swanson-Newbrook
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COMMITTEES THAT DO NOT NEED TO BE POLITICALLY BALANCED

Health and Wellbeing Board		Councillors – Leader of the Council, Lead Member for Children & Families, Education & Skills and Lead Member for Adults, Health & Independence, Lead Member for Culture, Leisure, Tourism & Voluntary Sector Officers – Tom Hall, Vicki Pattinson, Stuart Easingwood and Stuart Wright Darren Adams, Ken Bremner, Grahame Cassidy, Liz Dawson, James Duncan, Charlotte Harrison, John Lowther, Louise Lydon, Victoria Malone, Dr Matthew Walmsley, Lynn Wilson <i>*Membership must include Leader of the Council, Lead Member – Adults, Health and Independence and Lead Member – Children & Families, Education & Skills</i>
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LOCAL PENSION BOARD APPOINTMENTS TO BE NOTED

Local Pension Board		Employer Representatives:, Rachel Dunn, Tracey Bell, Dean Jukes Trade Union Representatives: Nicholas Wirz, Tony Carr, Tom Hunter, John Pearson Councillor Medcalf - 1 year term from 2026/2027 Next appointment required from 2027/28
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