



DECISION TAKEN BY THE MONITORING OFFICER

Decision title: Changes to Committee Memberships

Officer making the decision: David Clark, Monitoring Officer

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Date of Decision: 22 April 2024

Details of the decision:

Delegated authority sits with the Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the relevant political group leader to update the Committee Membership. This authority was given at the meeting of full Council on 24 May 2023.

In accordance with this, the Monitoring Officer has made the following changes to Committee Membership:

Planning Committee South

To remove Councillor Steve Ashton from the Planning Committee South and to appoint Councillor Tom Power to it.

And to remove Councillor Jeny Snell from the Planning Committee South and to appoint Councillor Kevin Messenger to it.

Strategic Planning Committee

To remove Councillor Steve Ashton from the Strategic Planning Committee and to appoint Councillor Barry Clarke to it.

And to appoint Councillor Martin Dimery as a Substitute Member of the Strategic Planning Committee.

Audit Committee

To appoint Councillor Rosemary Woods to the Audit Committee.

Reasons for proposed decision:

To the Membership of Committees with necessary changes as identified for Somerset Council.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

Group Leaders have been consulted on the proposals set out in this decision and consensus reached.

Not filling the vacancies was rejected as an alternative approach.

Implications considered:

None.

Background papers:

Report of the Monitoring Officer, Full Council AGM, 24 May 2023.
Committee Membership records held on ModGov at the Council

The following consultation has been completed:	Councillor	Date
Local Councillors consulted where the decision directly affects their Division	N/A	N/A
Relevant Executive Member(s) informed	Bill Revans as Leader of the Council and Liz Leyshon as Deputy Leader – for information only	16.04.24
Opposition Spokesperson(s) informed	David Fothergill, Dave Mansell, Leigh Redman and John Hunt as Leaders of the Opposition Parties – for information only	16.04.24

Decision Maker

I am aware of the details of this decision, have considered the reasons, options, representations and consultation responses (where applicable) and give my approval / agreement to its implementation.

Signed:

Name: David Clark

Post: Monitoring Officer

Date: 22 April 2024