

Appointment of Members to Serve on Committees

1 Summary

- 1.1 The Authority is invited to appoint the current Members to serve on its Committees from 1 July 2025 until 30 June 2026.

Recommendation that:	a Members agree to the appointment to Standing Committees, serving from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.
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2 Background

- 2.1 Under Standing Order 43, at each Annual Meeting the Authority must appoint Members to Committees from 1 July in any year to hold office no later than 30 June in the next year. The constitution of Committees has been arranged so that the proportion of Local Authority to Secretary of State appointees is in the same proportion to that of the Authority itself.
- 2.2 Through discussions with the Chair and Members at recent 1:1 meetings, Members have been allocated to sit on the Committees as shown in Annex 1 to this report.
- 2.3 Under the terms of the Localism Act 2011 the Authority is responsible for dealing with Code of Conduct issues for Members at a local level. To this end, on 17 February 2021 Members agreed to re-appoint two Independent Persons, Mr Tweddle and Mr Southorn to the Authority to satisfy these arrangements. This arrangement will continue in place until 16 April 2029.

3 Policy Context

- 3.1 The current Committee structure came into effect on 1 February 2009 and approval to fine-tune these arrangements was given at the Authority meeting on 24 March 2010.
- 3.2 Under new ways of working and a review of the Scheme of Delegation, the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority manage all aspects of the Chief Executive's employment with the Authority and assist the Chief Executive on the interpretation of the Authority's policies and to advise the Chief Executive.

4 Options

- 4.1 Members need to appoint to the Committees as set out below.

5 Proposals

- 5.1 Members therefore need to be appointed to the Committees set out below:

Development Control Committee	(10 Members)
Local Authority appointees	(5)
Secretary of State	(5)

Park Strategy & Vision Committee	(12 Members)
Local Authority appointees	(6)

Secretary of State	(6)
Resources Committee	(10 Members)
Local Authority appointees	(5)
Secretary of State	(5)
Governance Committee	(10 Members)
Local Authority appointees	(4)
Secretary of State	(4)
Independent Members	(2)
Rights of Way Committee	(6 Members)
Local Authority appointees	(3)
Secretary of State	(3)

6 Demonstrating Best Value

6.1 The report has no direct Best Value implications.

7 Finance Considerations

7.1 There are no exceptional financial implications. The approved budget allocates sufficient money to meet the anticipated costs.

8 Risk

8.1 It is important that we continue to comply with the Code of Corporate Governance and ensure openness, accountability and transparency in all decision-making.

9 Legal Considerations

9.1 The current committee structure to which we are appointing meets the statutory and regulatory requirements in relation to committee structures.

10 Human Resources

10.1 Following the appointment to Committees, Members will continue to receive appropriate and ongoing training.

11 Diversity Implications

11.1 The composition of the Committees reflects the statutory requirement to draw Members from all parts of the Authority's membership.

12 Sustainability

12.1 There are no sustainability issues arising from this report.

Background Papers	None
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Annex 1: Committee Membership from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026

Committee	Development Control Committee (10): 5 LA/5 SOS	Park Strategy & Vision Committee (12): 6 LA/6 SOS	Resources Committee (10): 5 LA/5 SOS	Governance Committee (10): 4 LA/4 SOS/ 2 Ind Members	ROW Committee (6): 3 LA/3 SOS
	LA: Phil Dixon Andy Pratt Doug Rathbone Chris Southward 1 vacancy	LA: Jenny Boak Matt Brereton Sally Lansbury Andy Pratt Doug Rathbone 1 vacancy	LA: Jenny Boak Matt Brereton Will Clark Jackie Drake 1 vacancy	LA: Will Clark Jackie Drake Graham Minshaw 1 vacancy	LA: Will Clark Graham Minshaw 1 vacancy
	SOS: Jim Jackson Mark Kidd Ric Outhwaite Peter Walter 1 vacancy	SOS: Jim Jackson Sabine Mosner Ric Outhwaite Peter Walter 2 vacancies	SOS: Jim Jackson Sabine Mosner Peter Walter 2 vacancies	SOS: Mark Kidd Suzanne Stolberg 2 vacancies	SOS: Mark Kidd Sabine Mosner 1 vacancy
				Tim Southorn David Tweddle	