



Appointment of Members to Serve on Committees

Summary

1. The Authority is invited to appoint the current Members to serve on its Committees from 1 July 2026 until 31 July 2027.

Recommendation

- a **Members agree to the appointment to Standing Committees, serving from 1 July 2026 to 31 July 2027.**

Background

2. Under Standing Order 28, at each Annual Meeting the Authority must appoint Members to Committees from 1 July in any year to hold office until no later than 31 July 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.

Policy Context

5. The current Committee structure came into effect on 1 April 2026 and approval to fine-tune these arrangements was given at the Authority meeting on 25 March 2026.
6. 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.

Options

7. Members need to appoint to the Committees as set out below.

Proposals

8. Members therefore need to be appointed to the Committees and Meetings set out below:

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

Strategy Meeting	(12 Members)
Local Authority appointees	(6)
Secretary of State	(6)

Resources Meeting	(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)

Demonstrating Best Value

9. The report has no direct Best Value implications.

Finance Considerations

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

Risk

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

Legal Considerations

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

Human Resources

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

Diversity Implications

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

Sustainability

15. There are no sustainability issues arising from this report.

Background Papers	None
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Annex 1: Committee Membership from 1 July 2026 to 31 July 2027

Committee / Meeting	Development Control Committee (10): 5 LA; 5 SOS	Strategy Meeting (12): 6 LA; 6 SOS	Resources Meeting (10): 5 LA; 5 SOS	Governance Committee (10): 4 LA; 4 SOS; 2 Ind Persons	ROW Committee (6): 3 LA; 3 SOS
	LA: Jenny Boak Phil Dixon Andy Pratt Doug Rathbone Chris Southward	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	LA: Will Clark Graham Minshaw 1 vacancy
	SOS: Mark Kidd Jackie Lancaster Ric Outhwaite Peter Walter 1 vacancy	SOS: Jim Jackson Jackie Lancaster Sabine Mosner Ric Outhwaite Peter Walter 1 vacancy	SOS: Juliet Bailey Mark Hatton Jim Jackson Sabine Mosner Peter Walter	SOS: Tiffany Hunt Mark Kidd Suzanne Stolberg 1 vacancy Tim Southorn David Twedde	SOS: Mark Hatton Mark Kidd Sabine Mosner