A. Allocation of seats

Overall Balance in relation to No. of seats					
Conservative 27	0.5745	58			
Labour 9	0.1914	20			
Independent Group 6	0.1277	13			
Liberal Democrat 5	0.1063	10			
	Total Number of Seats	101			

Committee	Conservative	Labour	Independent Group	Liberal Democrat	Total
1 x 17 seat Committee Planning	10	3	2	2	17
1 x 15 seat Committee Licensing	9	3	2	1	15
7 x 9 seat Panels/ Committees High Performing Organisation	36	12	8	7	63
Scrutiny Safer and Stronger Community Scrutiny Regenerating Swale Scrutiny Cleaner and Greener Swale Scrutiny Audit Hackney Carriages LDF Panel	5 on 6 6 on 1	2 on 5 1 on 2 (see note below, it will work out as 2 on each)	2 on 1 1 on 6	2 on 1 1 on 5	
1 x 6 seat Committee Emergency Committee	3	1	1	1	6
TOTAL	58	19 # 1 seat to be gifted to the Labour Group	13	11 # This Group will need to gift one seat to the Labour Group.	

B. Other Committees

The Standards Committee cannot be balanced due to its constitution, where Independent Members are required to have 25% of the overall membership of that Committee. At its last meeting, the Executive recommended to Council that the Standards Committee membership be increased to 6 Members as it will be necessary to form sub-committees from the Standards Committee.

Similarly, the JTB cannot be overall balanced due to the way the KCC Members are appointed, by division.

Committee	Conservative	Labour	Independent Group	Liberal Democrat	Total
Standards - 6 seats	3	1	1	1	6
Swale JTB - 7 seats	4	1	1	1	7

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