

Political Balance Calculations**Council – 19th May 2010****A. Political Balance Calculations**

| Party Group | | Conservative | | Labour | | Lib Dem | | Independent Cllr (ungrouped) | | Total | |
|--|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Number of members | | 33 | | 10 | | 3 | | 1 | | 47 | |
| Overall proportionality | | 0.702128 | | 0.212766 | | 0.06383 | | 0.021277 | | 1.000001 | |
| Total entitlement | | 74.425532 | | 22.553191 | | 6.765957 | | 2.255319 | | 105.999999 | |
| Total Rounded Entitlement | | 74 | | 23 | | 7 | | 2 | | 106.000000 | |
| | No. of seats | Strict Entitlement | Rounded Entitlement | Strict Entitlement | Rounded Entitlement | Strict Entitlement | Rounded Entitlement | Strict Entitlement | Rounded Entitlement | Strict Entitlement | Rounded Entitlement |
| Committees | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Planning Committee | 17 | 11.9361702 | 12 | 3.61702128 | 4 | 1.08510638 | 1 | 0.36170213 | 0 | 17.000000 | 17 |
| Licensing Act 2003 - membership not agreed between 10 and 15 members | 15 | 10.5319149 | 11 | 3.19148936 | 3 | 0.95744681 | 1 | 0.31914894 | 0 | 15.000000 | 15 |
| Policy Overview Committee | 13 | 9.12765957 | 9 | 2.76595745 | 3 | 0.82978723 | 1 | 0.27659574 | 0 | 13.000000 | 13 |
| Scrutiny Committee | 11 | 7.72340426 | 8 | 2.34042553 | 2 | 0.70212766 | 1 | 0.23404255 | 0 | 11.000000 | 11 |
| Panels/Committees: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Audit | 9 | 6.31914894 | 6 | 1.91489362 | 2 | 0.57446809 | 1 | 0.19148936 | 0 | 9.000000 | 9 |
| Hackney Carriage | 9 | 6.31914894 | 6 | 1.91489362 | 2 | 0.57446809 | 1 | 0.19148936 | 0 | 9.000000 | 9 |
| General Purposes | 9 | 6.31914894 | 6 | 1.91489362 | 2 | 0.57446809 | 1 | 0.19148936 | 0 | 9.000000 | 9 |
| Appointments Committee | 7 | 4.91489362 | 5 | 1.4893617 | 2 | 0.44680851 | 0 | 0.14893617 | 0 | 7.000000 | 7 |
| Emergency Committee | 6 | 4.21276596 | 4 | 1.27659574 | 1 | 0.38297872 | 1 | 0.12765957 | 0 | 6.000000 | 6 |
| General Licensing Committee | 10 | 7.0212766 | 7 | 2.12765957 | 2 | 0.63829787 | 1 | 0.21276596 | 0 | 10.000000 | 10 |
| Total Seats | 106 | 74.4255319 | 74 | 22.5531915 | 23 | 6.76595745 | 9* | 2.25531915 | 0 | 106.000000 | 106 |

*The Liberal Democrat Group will need to decide which two seats they wish to gift to the Independent Member to achieve overall political balance.

B. Seats not included in political balance calculation

- 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.
- The Joint Transportation Board cannot be overall balanced due to the way the KCC Members are appointed, by division.
- The Local Engagement Forums cannot be balanced as their membership is based on wards and also includes KCC and voluntary representatives.
- The Local Development Framework Panel is not required to be politically balanced because the Panel's functions are Executive functions and their membership means that they are not covered by Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, therefore section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act does not apply.

The table below is therefore intended to show an indication of the political balance to assist Members:

| Committee | Conservative | Labour | Liberal Democrat | Independent Member |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Standards - 6 seats | 4 (4.212768) | 1 (1.276596) | 1 (0.38298) | 0 (0.127662) |
| Swale JTB - 7 seats | 5 (4.914896) | 2 (1.489362) | 0 (0.44681) | 0 (0.148939) |
| Local Development Framework Panel - 9 seats | 6 (6.319152) | 2 (1.914894) | 1 (0.57447) | 0 (0.182493) |