

1.4: NEW STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

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THAT Council ADOPT the new Standing Committees of Council-Terms of Reference as detailed in the report, but that membership of each Committee include at least one Elected Member from each ward, and any other Elected Member who wishes to belong to that Committee.

Councillor's Reason:

All Elected Members stand in the same relation to Council, and Council as a whole should not discriminate between individual Councillors.

The reason we have 12 Councillors is the recognition that there may be a number of different view among the people we represent, so the members of the committee should consist of all Councillors who believe that they can make a contribution. It has been argued that the purpose of committees is to streamline the work of Council, and this recommendation will not affect their efficiency for the following reasons:

1. Not all Councillors would wish to be members of every committee.
2. As all Councillors are entitled to attend any committee meeting, no time will be saved by preventing them from being full members of that committee.

Officer's Comment (Chief Executive Officer):