

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989 - POLITICAL BALANCE**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 The council is under a duty to review the representation of different political groups on its committees/panels at or as soon as practicable after its annual meeting. The council is under a duty to re-determine the allocation of seats if the review shows non compliance with the political balance principles of the Act.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 2.1 At the meeting of the council held on 26 April, 2002 the council adopted a constitution as specified by the Local Government Act, 2000. That constitution provided for the appointment of a number of committees. The **current** allocation of seats on the council's panels/committees is set out overleaf and is in accordance with the political balance principles of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989.

**3. RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 That the council carries out a review of the political balance of its panels/committees.

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**Background papers used in the preparation of this report - Nil**

<b>Committee</b>	<b>No. of Members</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>
Planning Committee	10	6	4
Licensing Committee	15	8	7
Appeals Committee Pool	12	6	6
Audit Committee	7	4	3
Places Scrutiny Panel	5	3	2
People Scrutiny Panel	5	3	2
Corporate Scrutiny Panel	5	3	2
Health Scrutiny Panel	5	3	2
(Plus two Church Representatives - voting) (Plus two Parent Governors - voting)	In relation to Education Issues		
Standards Committee	7	4	3
(Plus two co-opted non-voting members)			