

Appendix B: Political proportionalities on Council committees 2023-24

The allocation of seats to political groups has been reviewed based on the political composition of the Council. The allocations are shown in Table A below.

Labour: 32

Liberal Democrat: 9

Green: 6

Non-grouped independent: 1

Table A: Committees subject to proportionality rules

Committee	Seats	Lab	Lib Dem	Green	Ind	Total	Balance
General Purposes Licensing Committee	15	10	3	2	0	15	0
Appointments Committee	5	3	1	1	0	5	0
Audit and Governance Committee	7	5	1	1	0	7	0
Investigation and Disciplinary Committee	4	3	1	0	0	4	0
Planning Committee	11	7	2	1	1	11	0
Planning Review Committee	9	6	2	1	0	9	0
Scrutiny Committee	12	8	2	2	0	12	0
Standards Committee	7	5	1	1	0	7	0
Total seats allocated	70	47	13	9	1	70	0
Rounded entitlement	69	47	13	9	N/A	69	-1
Real entitlement	68.54	46.67	13.13	8.75	N/A	69	-1
Percentage of seats allocated		(67.14)	(18.57)	(12.86)	(1.43)	(100)	0

Notes on the allocation of seats to political groups:

- Initially all 70 seats were allocated to groups but the Green Group had an overall over-allocation of 1 seat, having been allocated 10 seats with a total proportional entitlement of 9 seats.
- Initially all committees had the correct number of councillors except for Planning Committee, which had an under-allocation of 1 councillor, and Investigations and Disciplinary Committee, which had an over-allocation of 1 councillor.
- To resolve these issues the following steps were followed (over-allocations are dealt with first):
 - The Green Group lost a seat that had been allocated to it on the Investigations and Disciplinary Committee. That left the Green Group with the correct number of seats (9) and the committee with the correct number of councillors (4).
 - The one seat that remained unallocated once all groups had been allocated their full proportional entitlement of seats, on Planning Committee, was offered to the independent member, who confirmed that they would take up the seat.

Some committees are not subject to political proportionality. The allocation of seats on these committees is explained in paragraphs 13, 17 and 20 of the report and is set out in Table B below.

Table B: Committees not subject to proportionality rules

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Labour</i>	<i>Lib Dem</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Total</i>
Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	1	0	0	1
Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel	1	1	1	3
Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee	10	3	2	15