

Meeting of:	THE ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
Date of Meeting:	13 MAY 2026
Report Title:	REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES & OTHER COMMITTEES
Report Owner / Responsible Chief Officer/Cabinet Member:	REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER
Responsible Officer:	RUTH RONAN, SENIOR DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICER
Policy Framework and Procedure Rules:	The provisions and recommendations of the report accord with the Council's Procedure Rules as outlined in the Constitution.
Executive Summary:	To appoint and nominate the requisite number of Elected Members to outside bodies and joint committees as detailed. This is required on an annual basis.

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for the appointment of Members to the South Wales Police and Crime Panel, the South East Wales Corporate Joint Committee - Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the South East Wales Strategic Planning Group, the South East Wales Corporate Joint Committee Governance and Audit Sub-Committee and the South East Wales Corporate Joint Committee Standards Sub-Committee as set out in **Appendix 1**.

2. Background

- 2.1 Council is required, in accordance with the Council Procedure Rules contained within the Constitution, to receive nominations and appoint to these bodies / committees.

3. Current situation/ proposal

- 3.1 It is proposed that Members be appointed for a term of one year except where earlier revocation of appointment is appropriate.

- 3.2 It is proposed that where Council nominates on the basis of a Member's role within the Authority the appointment be attached to the role and not to the individual Member, e.g. Scrutiny Chair, Cabinet Member.

Memberships

- 3.3 The Council has signed up as a Member of a number of organisations, some of which carry a subscription fee. It is proposed to delegate authority to the Monitoring officer to review these memberships to ascertain which are statutory. Consideration can then be given to whether any non-statutory memberships continues to offer benefits or value to the Council. Following this review the Monitoring Officer will report back to Group Leaders and if necessary, bring further reports back to Council / Cabinet for approval.

4. Equality implications (including Socio-economic Duty and Welsh Language)

- 4.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh Language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

5. Well-being of Future Generations implications and connection to Corporate Well-being Objectives

- 5.1 The following is a summary of the implications to show how the 5 ways of working have been used to formulate the recommendation:

- Long-term - The approval of this report will assist in the long term planning of the business of the Council by the continuation of effective relationships with other organisations.
- Prevention - Continued and relevant representation supports the Council by enhancing its current and future relationships.
- Integration - The report supports all the well-being objectives.
- Collaboration - This report supports partnership working with other organisations both locally and regionally.
- Involvement - This report will maintain a relationship with other organisations through effective partnership working.

6. Climate Change and Nature Implications

- 6.1 There are no climate change and nature implications associated with these appointments.

7. Safeguarding and Corporate Parent Implications

- 7.1 There are no safeguarding implications associated with these appointments.

8. Financial Implications

- 8.1 There are no financial implications associated with the appointments indicated in Appendix 1.

9. Recommendations

- 9.1 Council is recommended to:
- a) Receive nominations and appoint the requisite number of Members to the bodies and committees as shown in **Appendix 1**;
 - b) Delegate authority to the Monitoring officer to review the Council's current organisational memberships as detailed at paragraph 3.3.

Background documents

None