



Chelmsford City Council

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Updated Political Groups

Report by: Leader of the Council

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Purpose

To note updated appointments to political groups under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

Recommendation:

To note that Cllr Deakin is no longer a member of the Liberal Democrat Group and that they are now an Independent Cllr not in a political group.

1. Cllr Deakin is no longer a member of the Liberal Democrat Group. Therefore, the appointments to political groups have been revised accordingly, to reflect their role as an Independent Councillor.
 2. Political proportionality is not affected by this change and the Liberal Democrat Group will retain the seat that had been held by Cllr Deakin, on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This will be filled under delegation, before the Committee next meets in September 2025.
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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Political Groups Summary

Background Papers

None

SCHEDULE A

POLITICAL GROUPS

In accordance with the Regulations made under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 the following political groups have been constituted.

- (a) **Liberal Democrat Group** 32 members Leader: Councillor S J Robinson
 Deputy Leader: Councillor L Foster

Councillors C Adutwim, H Ayres, N Bugbee, D Clark, H Clark, P Davey, A Davidson, C Davidson, N Dudley, D Eley, L Foster, K Franks, J Frascona, I Fuller, S Goldman, S Hall, J Hawkins, J Lardge, R Lee, S Manley, L Mascot, R Moore, S Rajesh, E Sampson, T Sherlock, A Sosin, J Sosin, A Thompson, C Tron, N Walsh and S Young

- (b) **Conservative Group** 19 members Leader: Councillor R T Whitehead
 Deputy Leader: Councillor A Thorpe Apps

Councillors J Armstrong, G. Bonnett, V Canning, N Chambers, S Dobson, J Jeapes, A John, B Massey, M O'Brien, V Pappa, J Potter, J Raven, S Scott, M Sismey, M Steel, S Sullivan and P Wilson

- (c) **Chelmsford Independents Group** 3 members Leader: Councillor R Hyland

Councillors P Clark and S Davis

- (d) **Independent Councillors not in a political group**

Councillors J Deakin, B Knight and M Taylor