

COMMITTEE	FULL COUNCIL
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TITLE OF REPORT	JOINT PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION	To apportion seats on the Joint Planning Policy Committee on the basis of political balance
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In the Meeting of the Council held on 21 October, 2010 a report was presented on the delivery of a Joint Planning Policy Service for Gwynedd Council and Anglesey County Council.
- 1.2 It was resolved that a Joint Planning Policy Committee be formed with 14 members seven members from Gwynedd and seven from Anglesey Council according to the political balance.

2. APPORTION SEATS ON THE JOINT PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

- 2.1 The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 sets out four main rules on the allocation of seats:-
- 2.2 (a) Not all the seats on a committee may be allocated to the same political group;
- (b) The majority of seats on the committee must be allocated to the political group where the number of persons within the group forms a majority of Council members;
- (c) subject to (a) and (b) above, the total number of seats on the ordinary committees allocated to each political group will equal that group's total number of seats on the Council;
- (ch) subject to (a), (b) and (c) above, the number of seats on a committee allocated to each political group will be the same proportion of seats on the committee as the number of seats that members of that group hold on the Council.
- 2.3 The apportion of the seven seats which Gwynedd Council has on the Joint Planning Policy Committee in accordance with the above rules is as follows:-

Plaid Cymru	3
Independent	2
Llais Gwynedd	1

Liberal Democrats 1

Labour 0

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Council is requested to confirm the apportion of seats for the Joint Planning Policy Committee as noted in paragraph 2.3