

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES FOR 2025/2026**

Note: C = Chairperson, VC = Vice-Chairperson, S = Designated Spokesperson

**BUSINESS SUPPORT AND DIGITAL (13 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (7)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	
Bowen Browne Hamilton (VC) Jones McDonald Nestorov Mark Prenter	Brake (S) Hackwell Perfect Tejan (C)	Pearce	Finch	

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (13 MEMBERS +3)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (7+3)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (1)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>		
Animashaun Hamandishe Howcroft-Scott (C) Hubbard Jackson Mandaracas (VC) Nestorova	Gilbourne Gulvin Joy (S) Spring	Mrs Turpin		

**Co-opted members with voting rights (on educational issues only) (4)**

Sharon Docherty – Roman Catholic Church representative

Lenny Williams – Church of England representative

Georgina Bentaleb and Akinola Edun – Parent Governor Representatives (4 year term expires 25 January 2026)

**Added members without voting rights**

Leanna Rogers – Headteacher representative (2 year term expires 24 January 2026)

Victoria Aspin – substitute Headteacher representative (2 year term expires 24 January 2026)

Alice Pledger – Teacher representative (2 year term expires 24 January 2026)

Bruno Lionnet – substitute Teacher representative (2 year term expires 24 January 2026)

Svajune Ulinskiene – Healthwatch Medway CIC representative (Substitute Vacancy)

Medway Youth Council Chairperson (Substitute – Medway Youth Council Cabinet Member)

Medway Youth Council Cabinet Member

Lisa Scarrott – Medway Parents and Carers Forum (Substitutes: Keith Clear and Shenda Smith)

## **HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE (13 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (7)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	
Campbell (VC) Cook Hamandishe Jackson McDonald (C) Mark Prenter Shokar	Anang Barrett Lammas Willey (S)	Crozer	Finch	

### **Added members without voting rights**

Svajune Ulinskiene – Healthwatch Medway CIC representative (Substitute: Vacancy)  
Shirley Griffiths – Medway Pensioner Forum representative

## **REGENERATION, CULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT (13 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (7)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	
Campbell Cook (VC) Field (C) Hamilton Myton Nestorov Peake	Doe Etheridge Filmer Lawrence (S)	Williams	Vye	

## OTHER COUNCIL COMMITTEES

### **APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (5 MEMBERS)**

To appoint to the post of Chief Executive, first and second tier posts and any other posts identified by the Employment Matters Committee

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
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**Councillors:**

Leader  
Deputy Leader  
Portfolio Holder

**Councillors:**

Leader  
Relevant  
Spokesperson

### **APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (9 MEMBERS)**

To appoint to the post of Director of People - Children and Adults

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (5)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
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**Councillors:**

Leader  
Deputy Leader  
Portfolio Holders x 3

**Councillors:**

Leader  
Relevant  
Spokespersons

**Councillor:**

Mrs Turpin

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE (5 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
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**Councillors:**

Bowen  
Browne (C)  
Nestorov (VC)

**Councillors:**

Hackwell (S)  
Lawrence

### **Added members without voting rights**

Anumesh Chandra – Independent Member (4yr term expires November 2028)

### **COUNCILLOR CONDUCT COMMITTEE (9 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (5)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
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**Councillors:**

Howcroft-Scott (VC)  
McDonald (C)  
Peake  
Louwella Prenter  
Van Dyke

**Councillors:**

Brake  
Kemp (S)  
Tejan

**Councillor:**

Pearce

### **DISCIPLINARY APPEALS COMMITTEE (3 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>			
Leader Deputy Leader	Leader			

### **EMPLOYMENT MATTERS COMMITTEE (7 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>		
Cook (VC) Hamilton Peake Mark Prenter (C)	Fearn Hackwell (S)	Sands		

### **EMPLOYMENT MATTERS APPEALS PANEL - SUB-COMMITTEE OF EMPLOYMENT MATTERS COMMITTEE (3 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>			
Peake Mark Prenter	Hackwell			

### **JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (7 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>		
Cook Hamilton Peake Mark Prenter	Fearn Hackwell	Sands		

Notes: 1. Chairperson to be appointed at the first meeting in each year.  
2. This Committee membership comprises the membership of the Employment Matters Committee.

### **EQUALITIES WORKING GROUP (4 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>			
Animashaun Campbell Hamilton	Hackwell			

## **GOVERNOR AD HOC COMMITTEE (5 MEMBERS)**

### **Labour and Co-operative (3)**

### **Conservative (2)**

### **Independent Group (0)**

### **Reform UK (0)**

### **Not allocated (0)**

#### **Councillors:**

Coombs  
Nestorova  
Peake

#### **Councillors:**

Joy  
Kemp

## **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

7 Councillors to be nominated by the Leader (who should not also be members of either the HASC or CYP Overview and Scrutiny Committees\*). The requirements of political balance will not apply.

#### **Councillors:**

Coombs  
Curry  
Jones  
Lawrence  
Murray  
Peake  
Price

Tass Alder - Medway Healthwatch (who should not also be a member of either the HASC or CYP Overview and Scrutiny Committees\*)

Director of People - Children and Adults

Director of Public Health

Assistant Director Children's Social Services

Assistant Director, Adults' Social Care

#### **NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board (one representative):**

Paul Bentley, NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board  
TBC, NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board (named substitute)

#### **Primary Care Network, Medway and Swale (one representative):**

Andrew Stradling – Interim Medical Director for Medway and Swale Health and Care Partnership

#### **Medway and Swale Integrated Care Partnership, Senior Responsible Officer (one representative):**

Martin Riley, Managing Director Medway Community Healthcare  
Vacancy, Chief Executive Medway NHS Foundation Trust (named substitute)

**(Note\* -** Substitutes appointed to attend meetings of the HWB may not also be members of the Health and Adult Social Care or Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committees).

**(Note –** Please note that Council agreed on 25 April 2013 that the Chairperson will be appointed from among the Councillors serving on the Board. Council also agreed that the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will be appointed at the first meeting of the Board after every Annual Council meeting).

## **LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE (11 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (6)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>		
Browne (VC) Howcroft-Scott Jackson McDonald (C) Nestorova Peake	Brake Fearn (S) Filmer Kemp	Sands		

## **LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE OF LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE (7 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>		
Browne McDonald Nestorova Peake	Fearn Kemp	Sands		

Note: \* Chairperson and Vice Chairperson subject to appointment at the first meeting of the Sub Committee following Annual Council.

**LICENSING HEARING PANEL - SUB-COMMITTEE OF LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**(3 MEMBERS)**

**AND**

**LICENSING 1982 ACT HEARING PANEL – SUB-COMMITTEE OF LICENSING AND SAFETY**  
**COMMITTEE (3 MEMBERS)**

The following Panels are used for both the above Panels

**Panel A**

McDonald  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Howcroft-Scott  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Brake  
(Conservative)

**Panel B**

Browne  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Jackson  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Fearn  
(Conservative)

**Panel C**

McDonald  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Nestorova  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Filmer  
(Conservative)

**Panel D**

Browne  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Peake  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Kemp  
(Conservative)

**Panel E**

McDonald  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Howcroft-Scott  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Fearn  
(Conservative)

**Panel F**

Browne  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Peake  
(Labour and Co-Operative)

Sands  
(Independent Group)

- Note: 1) The Licensing and Safety Committee is asked to waive the requirements of political balance in relation to these Panels as has been the practice in previous years.
- 2) Hearing Panels can only be made up of members of the Licensing and Safety Committee. Panel A is chosen for the first Hearing Panel of the Municipal Year and the other Panels are used in order i.e. Panel B, Panel C etc having regard to availability and Ward Councillor conflicts. Substitute members, including the fourth member of the Panel to be on standby in case one member of the Panel is unable to take part, are selected on alphabetical basis with the exception of the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Licensing and Safety Committee who will generally substitute for each other, if available.

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE (15 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (8)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (5)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>	
Bowen Field Hamandishe Hamilton Jones (VC) Myton Peake Stamp (C)	Anang Etheridge Filmer (S) Gilbourne Gulvin	Pearce	Vye	

## **SCHOOL TRANSPORT AND CURRICULUM APPEALS COMMITTEE (5 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>			
Coombs Mandaracas (C) Price	Barrett Kemp			

## **AIR QUALITY AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND ACTIVE TRAVEL TASK GROUP (7 MEMBERS)**

<b><u>Labour and Co-operative (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Conservative (2)</u></b>	<b><u>Independent Group (1)</u></b>	<b><u>Reform UK (0)</u></b>	<b><u>Not allocated (0)</u></b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Councillor:</b>		
Bowen Field Jackson McDonald  (Animashaun – Substitute)	Brake Filmer  (TBC – Substitute)	Crozer		