

## **A Principles of Proportionality**

### **The First Principle**

Appointments to all constituent bodies of the Council (except the Cabinet ~~and the Standards Committee~~) shall be in the same proportion as the numbers in each recognised political group (constituted in accordance with the provisions of Article 2) are to the overall membership of the Council. The nominations of the groups shall be accepted by Council (other than in the case of the ~~Standards Civic Affairs~~ Committee as per Article 9.01(b) of the Constitution).

### **The Second Principle**

If any political group or party withdraws from any constituent body of the Council (not being an individual decision to resign) and makes it clear, in writing or otherwise that such is the case, whether temporarily or otherwise, the remaining groups shall nominate replacements according to the First Principle as if that group or party was not represented on the Council, and such shall apply until the next regular appointment of such body.

### **The Third Principle**

If any member of a constituent body of the Council resigns (other than at the Council year end) or dies, a nomination shall be sought only from the political group to which that member was affiliated. That group may nominate a replacement councillor affiliated to the group or any other councillor.