

## **HIGH PEAK BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **Audit & Regulatory Committee**

**27 November 2024**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Appointment of Mayor 2025/26</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR:</b>	<b>Councillor Anthony McKeown - Leader</b>
<b>CONTACT OFFICER:</b>	<b>Linden Vernon – Head of Democratic Services</b>
<b>WARDS INVOLVED:</b>	<b>Non-Specific</b>

#### **Appendices Attached – None**

- 1. Reason for the Report**
  - 1.1 To consider the selection of the Mayor for the municipal year 2025/26.
- 2. Recommendation**
  - 2.1 That at its meeting on 12 December 2024 Council confirm that the Conservative Group be invited to make a nomination for the appointment of Mayor for the municipal year 2025/26.
- 3. Executive Summary**
  - 3.1 The Mayor is selected according to a points system as referred to in Article 5 of the Constitution and detailed in the Protocol for the Nomination of Mayor.
  - 3.2 The system started with the actual number of members in each political group. Since 1980, annual adjustments have been made according to changes in each group's strength. Taking into account the current points position the Conservative Group have the most points as at 1 October 2024.
- 4. How this report links to Corporate Priorities**
  - 4.1 Not applicable

## 5. Alternative Options

- 5.1 There are no options to consider. Nomination of the Mayor is in accordance with the points system as referred to in the report.

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### Web Links and Background Papers

[Article 5 of the Constitution and Protocol for the Nomination of Mayor](#)

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## 6. Detail

- 6.1 The Mayor is selected according to a points system as referred to in Article 5 of the Constitution and detailed in the Protocol for the Nomination of Mayor.
- 6.2 The basic principle is the political group with most points at 1 October each year, has the opportunity to nominate the Mayor for the next municipal year.
- 6.3 The system started with the actual number of members in each political group. Since 1980, annual adjustments have been made according to changes in each group's strength.
- 6.4 Whenever a group nominate a Mayor, ten points are deducted from their points total and this shows up the following October.
- 6.5 The points system for the selection of the Mayor currently stands as follows:

Group	Points as at 1.10.23	Mayor for 2024/25	Points as at 1.10.24
Conservative	22		22
Green	4		4
Labour	32	X	32-10=22
Cllr Capper	1		1
Cllr Lomax	1		1

- 6.6 In accordance with the Protocol for the Nomination of Mayor, in the event of an equality of points, the group which previously had nominated the Mayor most recently will not be given the right to nominate for that year.
- 6.7 In respect of the Deputy Mayor, the points system does not apply.
- 6.8 In some years, the Deputy Mayor has been chosen with a view to progressing to Mayor the following year, but this is not always the case.