

Town Council –24th April 2017
Committee Structure – Changes to Standing Orders
Agenda Item 5E

Further to F&GP minute 3637 and deferment of ratification of changes to standing orders under 25b by a special meeting of Town Council on 13th March, I have attached clarification of the amendment to voting procedures required for the move to an Internal and External committee structure.

Changes *in italics* need to be made as follows:

8 VOTING ON APPOINTMENTS

- a Where more than one person has been nominated for a position to be filled by or on the Town Council (*This excludes selection by lot for Internal and External committees dealt with under 8c below but includes selection for the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor*), voting is to be by way of written ballot, with only the tally of votes for each candidate and the outcome being announced.

- b Where more than two persons have been nominated for a position to be filled by or on the Town Council (including the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor) and none of those persons has received an absolute majority* of votes in their favour, the name of the person having the least number of votes shall be struck off the list and a fresh vote taken. This process shall continue until a majority of votes is given in favour of one person. A tie in votes must be settled by the casting vote exercisable by the chairman of the meeting.

- c *In the case of Internal and External committees, council membership will be split between the two committees. Members will draw lots to establish the committee on which they will serve. Three substitute members (to serve in the case of absence) will again be selected by lot (if more than three members wish to stand).*

*[the votes of more than half of the members present and voting].



Phil Burgess
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