PART A

Report to: Annual Council

Date of Meeting: 24 May 2016

Report of: Democratic Services Manager

Title: Notice of Constitution of Political Groups

1.0 **Summary**

Regulations made under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 require formal notice to be given each year of the composition of political groups. This information also enables the requirements of the relevant section of that Act dealing with political balance on Council Committees to be complied with.

2.0 **Recommendations**

That Council notes the composition of the political groups on the Council as at 24 May 2016.

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Report approved by the Head of Democracy & Governance.

3.0 **Detailed discussion**

Details of Leaders, Deputy Leaders, Group Secretaries and membership are as follows:

Liberal Democrat Group

Leader:	Councillor Peter Taylor
Deputy Leader	Councillor Keith Crout
Group Secretary	Councillor Stephen Bolton
Group Members:	Councillors: Barks, Bolton, Cavinder,
	Collett, Crout, Dychton, Fahmy,

Grimston, Hastrick, Hofman, J Johnson,
S Johnson, Kent, Laird, Maestas,
Martins, Rindl, Saffery, Scudder,
Sharpe, Steele, Taylor, Mayor
Thornhill, Watkin, Walford, Williams

Labour Group

Leader:	Councillor Nigel Bell
Deputy Leader	Councillor Jagtar Singh Dhindsa
Group Secretary	Councillor Asif Khan
Group Members:	Councillors: Bashir, Bell, Connal,
	Dhindsa, Joynes, Ashan Khan, Asif
	Khan, Mauthoor, Mills, Shah,
	Turmaine

4.0 Implications

4.1 Legal issues

Notification of membership complies with the Council's Constitution, Procedure Rule 24.0 and with the requirements of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

4.2 <u>Other Implications</u>

None

Background Papers:

Notifications submitted to the Democratic Services Manager under the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

Appendices: None

File Reference: None