

APPENDIX 7

Proportionality calculation for a Development Plan Committee of 18 members based on the overall proportionality of North Yorkshire Council (NYC) and the individual area proportionality of each Area Constituency Committee (ACC).

Applying the overall proportionality of the Council as a whole

Committee size of 18	Conservative and Independents	Liberal Democrats and Liberal	Labour	NY Independent	Green	Unaffiliated	Awaiting by-election
Actual	9.60	2.60	2.20	1.80	0.80	0.80	0.20
Rounded	10	3	2	2	1	1	0

This however rounds to 19 due to the majority rule so the least % to the next whole figure will be Lib Dem on 2.6 which is 0.4 away from a figure of 3 where all the others are either 0.2 over or under, however the by election result could change this.

There is representation on an 18 seat Development Plan Committee of all political groups, with the exception of the Green Group or the unaffiliated.

In order to achieve representation for all political groups and the unaffiliated independents, the committee size would need to be a minimum of 20. See below.

Committee size of 20	Conservative and Independents	Liberal Democrats and Liberal	Labour	NY Independent	Green	Unaffiliated	Awaiting by-election
Actual	10.67	2.89	2.44	2.00	0.89	0.89	0.22
Rounded	11	3	2	2	1	1	0

A committee size of 18 would have representation from all political groups if the unaffiliated were not allocated a seat (as they are not a political group).

For a committee size of 20, the additional seats for the Green Group and the unaffiliated independents could come from any of the ACCs on which they currently have seats.

Applying proportionality of each ACC

A Committee of 18 should consist of 10 seats allocated to the majority group. If an equal number of seats is allowed from each ACC, of which there are 6, then a Committee of 18 will consist of 3 seats per ACC.

Each ACC is made up of a different political make up and that, therefore, affects the proportionality of the ACC. However, the end result will still fall in line with the overall NYC proportionality.

ACC	No. of Councillors in ACC	3 Member proportionality on a Committee of 18 based on the political make-up of the ACC
Richmond (Yorks)	16	3 Conservative and Independents*
Thirsk and Malton	15	2 Conservative and Independents and 1 NY Independent/Liberal Democrat and Liberal**
Skipton and Ripon	15	2 Conservative and Independents and 1 Liberal Democrat and Liberal
Harrogate and Knaresborough	13	1 Conservative and Independents and 2 Liberal Democrat and Liberal
Scarborough and Whitby	15	1 Conservative and Independents, 1 Labour and 1 NY Independent/Unaffiliated
Selby and Ainsty	16	1 Conservative and Independents, 1 Labour and 1 NY Independent

* Conservative and Independents proportionality is 2.44 but others are 0.19 . This is the lowest % so allowing the correct “total” majority.

**The forthcoming by-election for Sowerby and Topcliffe could change this.