

**DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
ANNUAL MEETING**

APPENDIX H (ii)

8 May 2013

PRINCIPLES OF POLITICAL BALANCE

1. With the exception of the Cabinet, the seats on the "body" must not be held by members of one political group.
2. The majority of seats on the "body" must be allocated to the majority political group.
3. Subject to 1 and 2, the number of seats which a political group has on Committees must be allocated in the same proportion as that proportion of seats held by the political group on the Authority as a whole.
4. Subject to 1, 2 and 3, allocation to "bodies" other than Committees must also be proportional in order to ensure that the seats on that body held by the Authority have a direct relationship to the proportional membership of the whole. The principles in this paragraph, however, only apply where the Council or Committee appoint at least three people to the "body" in question.