

# Parliamentary Bureau – Establishment of Committees

## Purpose

1. This paper sets out the steps that require to be taken on the establishment of committees following the results of the convener elections on 10 June to allow initial committee meetings to be scheduled in the week beginning 15 June.

## Action

2. Following the results of the convener elections on 10 June, Business Managers are asked to provide the names of the Members who will fill their committee seat allocations as per the agreement reached at the Bureau meeting on 3 June, by 10.00 am on Thursday 11 June. This will allow officials to check for compliance with Standing Orders and prepare a motion to be lodged and taken in the Chamber that afternoon.
3. It will also allow work to be undertaken on the scheduling of initial meetings taking account of any membership clashes.

## Current rules

3. Business Managers are reminded that, under the Standing Orders Rule 6.3.4A, in proposing the membership of a committee, the Parliamentary Bureau must ensure that, it must not be the case that all members of a committee would be of the same sex.
4. In addition, Standing Orders Rule 6.3.4B states that, when a committee is first established, the Parliamentary Bureau shall normally ensure that the proposed membership reflects the gender balance of the Parliament. Where a proposed membership does not do so, the member of the Parliamentary Bureau moving the motion shall explain the reasons for this.

## Recommendation

4. The Bureau is invited to note the relevant Standing Orders rules set out in this paper provide the names of the Members who will fill their committee seat allocations as per the agreement reached at the Bureau meeting on 3 June, by 10.00 am on Thursday 11 June.

**Committee Office**  
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