

COUNCIL

6 AUGUST 2024

REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

A.7 RESIGNATION FROM THE CONSERVATIVE GROUP AND THE CHANGE OF NAME OF A POLITICAL GROUP ON TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL

(Report prepared by Ian Ford)

I formally report that, pursuant to Regulation 10(b) of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, Councillor James Codling on 10 June 2024, served formal notice on the Council that he no longer wished to be treated as a member of the Conservative political group.

I further inform Members that Councillor Codling also served formal notice on the Council that he wished to be treated as a member of the Tendring Residents' Alliance political group. That notice was duly counter-signed by the Leader of the Tendring Residents' Alliance Group (Councillor Jeff Bray).

Councillors Codling and Bray, via that notice, informed Officers that they wished to exercise their right under Section 15(1)(e) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Regulation 17(c) of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 to have a review of the allocation of seats to political groups carried out. The results of that review are reported to Council elsewhere on the Agenda for this meeting.

I additionally formally report that, on 18 June 2024, Councillors Bray, Codling, Everett and Harris, pursuant to Regulation 8(5)(a) of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, served formal notice on the Council that they wished to change the name of their political group. That is, the name of the Tendring Residents' Alliance political group was to change to be the Reform UK political group. For the avoidance of any doubt, the Leader of the Reform UK Group is Councillor Bray and Councillor Harris is the deputy Group Leader.

IAN DAVIDSON
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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**BACKGROUND PAPERS LIST FOR
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Notice of Wish to no longer be treated as a Member of a Political Group (Conservative) signed by Councillor Codling and dated 10 June 2024.

Notice of Wish to be treated as a Member of a Political Group (Tendring Residents' Alliance) signed by Councillor Codling and dated 11 June 2024.

Notice of Change of Name of a Political Group (Tendring Residents' Alliance to Reform UK) signed by Councillors Bray, Codling, Everett and Harris and dated 18 June 2024.