

## Rother District Council

### COUNCIL MEETING

5 July 2021

### REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER

#### BY- ELECTION – 6 MAY 2021

1. I have to report the result of the by-election held on Thursday, 6 May 2021 to elect a District Councillor for the seat vacated by the resignation of Councillor Mrs S. Hart.

#### Eastern Rother

HACKING, Lizzie (Con) – 999 – **ELECTED**

LAMB, Kate (Liberal Democrat) – 273

MADDEN, Ash (Lab) – 300

% Turnout = 40.77

2. Following the election I have also to report that:
  - (i) Councillor Lizzie Hacking has given formal notice of her wish to join the Conservative group;
  - (ii) The revised membership of Political Groups is as follows:

Conservative	14
Association of Independents	12
Liberal Democrat & Green	8
Labour	3
Independent Member	1
	<u>38</u>
3. Following the by-election a review of the committee seats has been undertaken, in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989, resulting in no change to the overall seat allocation.
4. Councillor Lizzie Hacking has been appointed to the Licensing and General Purposes Committee in accordance with the Group Leader's wishes.

Malcolm Johnston  
Returning Officer