

OFFICER APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE OFFICER APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10 APRIL 2018 AT LEADER'S OFFICE, COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE.

Present:

Cllr Baroness Scott of Bybrook OBE (Chairman), Cllr John Thomson (Vice-Chairman),
Cllr Richard Clewer, Cllr Bob Jones MBE and Cllr Jerry Wickham

Also Present:

40 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

41 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Resolved:

To confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 February 2018.

42 **Declaration of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

43 **Chairman's Announcements**

There were no Chairman's announcements.

44 **Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

45 **Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items of business other than that set out in Minute No 47 below.

46 **Exclusion of the Public**

Resolved:

To agree that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting for the business specified in Minute No. 47 because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to the public.

47 **Appointment of Director, Housing and Commercial Development**

The Committee received a confidential report by the Director, HR & Organisational Development regarding need for the appointment of a Director, Housing & Commercial Development.

It was noted that whilst it was normally a requirement to give five days' notice of a meeting it had been necessary to convene this meeting urgently in accordance with section 100E of the Local Government Act 1972. The convening of this meeting at shorter notice was due to the limited availability of those concerned, including the candidate, as adherence to the required five clear days' notice would in this instance mean that the Committee would have been unlikely to be able to meet the candidate for at least two weeks. This delay would affect the timescale for the appointments process further for this and other vacant director posts, which needed to be re-advertised as soon as possible. Any further delay in progressing the recruitment to these roles would adversely impact upon the delivery of the Council's business priorities.

The Committee thereupon conducted an interview and selection process to appoint a Director, Housing & Commercial Development.

After discussion,

Resolved:

To appoint Simon Hendey to the post of Director of Housing & Commercial Development with a start date to be confirmed in due course, subject to consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Members in accordance with paragraph 5(2) of the Officer Employment Procedure Rules.

(Duration of meeting: 3.30 - 4.45 pm)

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