

COUNCIL

A meeting of the Council was held on Wednesday 22 March 2023.

PRESENT:	Councillors J Hobson, A Bell (Vice-Chair), I Blades, D Branson, C Cooke, B Cooper, D Coupe, D Davison, S Dean, C Dodds, T Furness, N Gascoigne, TA Grainge, A Hellaoui, A High, S Hill, C Hobson, B Hubbard, N Hussain, D Jones, L Lewis, L Mason, T Mawston, D McCabe, C McIntyre, J McTigue, J Platt, E Polano, A Preston (The Mayor), J Rathmell, D Rooney, J Rostron, M Smiles, M Storey, J Thompson, Z Uddin, S Walker and G Wilson
OFFICERS:	C Benjamin, S Bonner, B Carr, N Finnegan, A Humble and A Pain
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:	Councillors R Arundale, T Higgins, M Nugent, G Purvis, R Sands, M Saunders, P Storey, J Walker and C Wright

22/89 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received at this point in the meeting.

22/90 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair announced, with sadness, the death of former Councillor for Nunthorpe, Lesley McGloin. Lesley represented the Nunthorpe Ward from 2015 – 2019.

The Chair invited members to join him in a minutes' silence, as a mark of respect.

Councillor Rathmell paid tribute to Lesley McGloin.

22/91 **SENIOR MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS**

The Chair of the Chief Officer Appointments Committee presented a report, regarding the appointment of an Interim Chief Executive and arrangements for appointment of an interim S151 Officer.

The Mayor responded to queries from councillors regarding the proposed working arrangements and the appointment process of the Interim Chief Executive. The Mayor also outlined the risks to the Council if it did not appoint an Interim Chief Executive Officer.

The Deputy Mayor advised that although she had concerns regarding the proposed remuneration of the Interim Chief Executive, if an appointment was not made, it could increase the risk of government intervention at the Council.

In response to a query regarding whether the Council's work with CIPFA would cease, it was clarified that the work that CIPFA were currently undertaking was separate to the appointment of the Interim Chief Executive.

The Chair invited the Monitoring Officer to conduct a vote on the recommendations contained within the report.

Following a vote, it was **ORDERED** as follows:

That Council approves:

- The appointment of Clive Heaphy as the Interim Chief Executive/Head of Paid Service for a period of up to 12 months.
- The temporary re-designation of the section 151 officer function to the Head of Financial Planning and Support.