

CHIEF OFFICER APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Chief Officer Appointments Committee was held on Tuesday 25 July 2023.

PRESENT: Councillors J Rostron (Chair), C Cooke, Councillors D Davison, J Ewan (as substitute for Councillor Dean) , D Jackson (as substitute for Councillor S Hill), M Smiles, P Storey, J Thompson and J Walker (as substitute for Councillor M Storey)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: D Hunter - Adecco

OFFICERS: S Blood (public part of meeting), N Finnegan and C Heaphy

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors S Dean, S Hill, M Storey and Z Uddin

23/1 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest received at this point of the meeting.

23/2 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

ORDERED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that, if present, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 or 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

23/3 **RECRUITMENT FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

In accordance with the Officer Employment Procedure Rules, the Chief Officer Appointments Committee was charged with undertaking the process for recruiting to the post of the Executive Director of Children's Services. The Head of Human Resources provided a summary of each of the candidates.

Members agreed the interview process and the questions for the interviews for the post of Executive Director of Children's Services, scheduled for 3 August 2023.

23/4 **TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE POST OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

Following consideration of each of the applications for the post of Executive Director of Children's Services, it was agreed that four of the candidates should be shortlisted.

23/5 **INTERIM DIRECTOR OF FINANCE (SECTION 151 OFFICER) EXTENSION**

The Chief Executive submitted a report, which sought approval for an extension of the current interim arrangement for the Director of Finance (section 151 officer).

ORDERED that the current interim arrangement for the Director of Finance (section 151 officer) be extended to 30 June 2024.

23/6 **ANY OTHER URGENT ITEMS WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIR, MAY BE CONSIDERED.**

There were no urgent items to be considered.