



Chief Officers' Employment Panel

Minutes

12 July 2023

Present:

Chair: Councillor Paul Osborn

Councillors: David Ashton
Marilyn Ashton
Pritesh Patel

David Perry
Natasha Proctor

43. Membership

RESOLVED: To note that there were no nominee Members in attendance.

44. Declarations of Interest

RESOLVED: To note that there were no declarations of interests made by Members.

45. Appointment of Vice-Chair

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor Marilyn Ashton as Vice-Chair of the Chief Officers' Employment Panel for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year.

46. Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Chief Officers' Employment Panel held on 4 May 2023 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

Resolved Items

47. Recruitment of Interim Director of Finance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer)

Members received a report which set out the process for the recruitment to the post of Interim Director of Finance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer). The Panel were informed that one candidate had withdrawn their application.

RESOLVED: That the remaining two shortlisted candidates, whose details had been circulated in confidential appendix 2, be interviewed.

48. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) for the reasons set out below:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Reason</u>
7.	Appointment of Interim Director of Finance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer)	Information under paragraph 1 (contains information relating to any individual).

Recommended Item

49. Appointment of Interim Director of Finance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer)

Having interviewed two candidates the Panel

Resolved to RECOMMEND: unanimously (to Council)

That Brendan Arnold be designated as the Council's Section 151 Officer.

RESOLVED: (unanimously)

That the statutory post of Interim Director of Finance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) be offered to Brendan Arnold, who was the Interim Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer), Woking Borough Council, on the day rate of £1,265.06 (all inclusive) for five days a week until a permanent postholder is in post and subject to there being no 'material and well-founded objections' from members of the Executive.

(Note: The meeting, having commenced at 4.05 pm, closed at 6.07 pm).

(Signed) Councillor Paul Osborn
Chair