

# CHIEF OFFICERS' EMPLOYMENT PANEL MINUTES

## 13 SEPTEMBER 2017

**Chair:** \* Councillor Sachin Shah

**Councillors:** \* Marilyn Ashton \* Paul Osborn  
\* Graham Henson \* Mrs Christine Robson

\* Denotes Member present

### 103. Membership

**RESOLVED:** To note the attendance at this meeting of the following duly appointed nominated Members:

Ordinary Member

Councillor Sue Anderson  
Councillor Keith Ferry  
Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane

Nominated Member

Councillor Graham Henson  
Councillor Christine Robson  
Councillor Marilyn Ashton

### 104. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Paul Osborn declared that he had previously met one of the candidates attending for interview for the post of Corporate Director, Community, but confirmed that he did not know him in a capacity that would mean he could not be impartial.

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

**105. Minutes**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meetings held on 1 August 2017 and 4 September 2017 be taken as read and signed as correct records.

**RESOLVED ITEMS**

**106. Information Report: Recruitment process for the role of Director of Adult Social Services**

Members received a report which provided information on the interim cover arrangements for a Statutory Officer post.

The Corporate Director, People reported that the post of Director of Adult Social Services was to be recruited to following the resignation of the current post holder with effect 13 October 2017. The Corporate Director explained that he would be commencing an internal recruitment process to appoint an interim officer with immediate effect, pending the recruitment of a permanent replacement. He added that he would carry out the interviews for this temporary appointment with the relevant portfolio holder.

The proposal to recruit an interim post holder were supported by the Panel, subject the caveat that the Opposition Group also be included in the interview process. It was further agreed that the Panel interview applicants for this permanent statutory post.

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

**107. 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 for the reasons set out below:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Reason</u>
6.	Appointment of Corporate Director, Community	Information under paragraph 1 (contains information relating to any individual).

**108. Appointment of Corporate Director, Community**

The Panel interviewed three shortlisted candidates and received a presentation from each.

**RESOLVED:** That the Panel adjourn until 4.00 pm on 14 September 2017.

Having reconvened it was

**RESOLVED:** That Mr Paul Walker, Executive Consultant, Rossendale Borough Council, be appointed as Corporate Director, Community with effect from a date to be determined and in accordance with the terms and conditions governing Chief Officer posts.

(Note: The meeting, having closed at 5.45 pm on 13 September 2017 and reconvened at 4.08pm on 14 September 2017 closed at 4.39pm).

(Signed) COUNCILLOR SACHIN SHAH  
Chair