

# Senior Officer and Appointments Staffing Sub-Committee

Date: Tuesday, 5 December 2023

Time: 11.00 a.m.

Venue: Committee Room 1 - Birkenhead Town Hall

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### **AGENDA**

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
- 2. APOLOGIES
- 3. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to consider whether they have any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or any other relevant interest in connection with any item(s) on this agenda and, if so, to declare them and state the nature of the interest.

4. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2023.

#### 5. PUBLIC AND MEMBERS QUESTIONS

#### 5.1 **Public Questions**

Notice of question to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Thursday 30 November 2023 to the Council's Monitoring Officer via this link: <a href="Public Question Form">Public Question Form</a> and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 10.

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Please telephone the Committee Services Officer if you have not received an acknowledgement of your question by the deadline for submission.

#### 5.2 Statements and Petitions

#### Statements

Notice of representations to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Thursday 30 November 2023 to the Council's Monitoring Officer (<a href="mailto:committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk">committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk</a>) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 11.1.

#### Petitions

Petitions may be presented to the Committee if provided to Democratic and Member Services no later than 10 working days before the meeting, at the discretion of the Chair. The person presenting the petition will be allowed to address the meeting briefly (not exceeding three minute) to outline the aims of the petition. The Chair will refer the matter to another appropriate body of the Council within whose terms of reference it falls without discussion, unless a relevant item appears elsewhere on the Agenda. If a petition contains more than 5,000 signatures, it will be debated at a subsequent meeting of Council for up to 15 minutes, at the discretion of the Mayor.

Please telephone the Committee Services Officer if you have not received an acknowledgement of your statement/petition by the deadline for submission.

#### 5.3 **Questions by Members**

Questions by Members to dealt with in accordance with Standing Orders 12.3 to 12.8.

#### 6. WORKFORCE EQUALITY REPORT 2023 (Pages 3 - 30)

#### 7. **GENDER PAY GAP REPORT 2023 (Pages 31 - 42)**

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## 8. EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following item contains exempt information.

RECOMMENDATION – That in accordance with section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The public interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

#### 9. CHIEF OFFICER STRUCTURE UPDATE REPORT (Pages 43 - 76)

Senior Officer and Appointments Staffing Sub-Committee Terms of Reference

#### Senior Officer Appointments & Staffing Sub-Committee

- (a) A Sub-Committee of members of the Policy and Resources, with delegated authority to recommend or make appointments and related matters in respect of chief officers, as set out at Part 4(7) of the Constitution, together with oversight of employment policies, terms and conditions.
- (b) The Sub-Committee will not be appointed in accordance with the political balance rules (minute 8(1) of 2020/21 refers) but will consist of:
- (i) the Leader (Chair of Policy & Resources Committee), or in their absence the Deputy Leader (Vice-Chair), who shall chair the Sub-Committee:
- (ii) a member from each of the other Political Groups represented on the Policy & Resources Committee; and (iii) the Chair, or in their absence the Vice-Chair, of the Policy & Services Committee with terms of reference most closely associated with the post concerned (or if that committee concerned is deemed to be the Policy & Resources Committee then the Deputy Leader (Vice-Chair).