EMPLOYMENT AND APPOINTMENTS PANEL (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: LAW AND GOVERNANCE)

Tuesday, 22 August 2017

Present:	Councillors	A Brighouse A Hodson AER Jones	AER Jones M McLaughlin B Mooney
Deputy:	Councillor	A Sykes (In place of P Hayes)	

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

On a motion by Councillor Adrian Jones, seconded by Councillor Bernie Mooney, it was –

Resolved – That Councillor Phil Davies be appointed Chair of this Panel.

2 MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Panel were requested to declare whether they had any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or any other relevant interest in the item on this agenda and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of such interest.

The Assistant Director: Human Resources and Organisational Development then informed the Panel that should a candidate be known to them they should so declare and inform the clerk. Members were advised that a work based relationship would not form a basis for prejudice.

No such declarations were made.

3 EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

On a motion by the Chair, seconded by Councillor Bernie Mooney it was -

Resolved - That, under section 100 (A) (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 I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act.

4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: LAW AND GOVERNANCE

The Assistant Director: Human Resources and Organisational Development welcomed Amanda Riley from the recruitment consultants, Penna, who

provided Members with an overview of the sifting and grading of the nine candidate applications for the post.

Amanda Riley informed the Panel of the process they had taken in their assessment of the potential candidates and responded to questions from the Panel.

Ms Riley further informed that candidate 9 would have been recommended for interview but had been offered another role earlier in the week which she had decided to accept. Her application to Wirral had therefore been withdrawn.

The Panel then considered which of the remaining eight candidates should be short listed for the next stage of the selection process.

Resolved (unanimously) – That candidates 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 be put forward to the next stage of the selection process.

The Assistant Director: Human Resources and Organisational Development then informed the Panel of the next stage of the selection process, which would be for technical assessments, to be undertaken by Penna, the results of which would be circulated to Members by email. Members would then have an opportunity to feedback any comments prior to the interview stage. Shortlisting would therefore be undertaken by email circulation.