

MINUTES OF CHIEF OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE - FRIDAY, 4 JULY 2014

Present:

Councillor Blackburn (in the Chair)

Councillors

Cain	Campbell	Williams
Callow	Jackson	

In Attendance:

Neil Jack, Chief Executive
Carmel McKeogh, Deputy Chief Executive
Lorraine Hurst, Head of Democratic Governance

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 17TH JUNE 2014

The Committee agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2014 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3 CHILDREN'S AND ADULT SERVICES

The Committee considered the report on the proposed interim arrangements, following the resignation of the current Director of Children's Services, who had recently secured a post with another local authority.

The report set out that Mrs Delyth Curtis, the Council's Director of Adult Services, would take on the directorate responsibility for Children's Services and that it was proposed for her to be designated the statutory Director in that area. Members also considered proposals for Karen Smith, the Acting Deputy Director of Adult Services, to be the Council's statutory Director of Adult Services.

In considering the proposals, members were aware of the importance of ensuring consistency in relation to the improvement journey for the Council's Children's Social Care Services and school improvement services. It was also noted that support for the transition would be provided from an external experienced ex Director of Children's Services and that dialogue with both the Department for Education and the Local Government Association would also take place regarding the transition.

The Committee agreed:

1. That on an interim basis for a period up to 30th September 2015, Delyth Curtis be designated as the statutory Director of Children's Services from a date agreed by the Chief Executive.

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2. That on an interim basis for a period up to 30th September 2015, Karen Smith be designated as the statutory Director of Adult Services from a date agreed by the Chief Executive and be confirmed as a Chief Officer.

3. That the statutory designations referred to in 1 and 2 above be subject to confirmation by Council at its September meeting, but the Chief Executive be authorised as indicated, to make interim designations, prior to that meeting, should the need arise.

4. That the Chief Executive is authorised to make salary arrangements using the market supplement policy for both Statutory Directors within the current allocated budgets.

Chairman

(The meeting ended at 2.10 pm)

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