

## **APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 at 6.00 pm  
in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Dudley

### **PRESENT**

Councillor Sparks (Chair)

Councillors Blood, Crumpton, Evans, Foster, Harley, Partridge, Ridney and Vickers.

### **OFFICERS**

The Chief Executive, the Assistant Director of Corporate Resources (Human Resources and Organisational Development) and the Democratic Services Manager.

#### **1      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received on behalf of Councillors Attwood and Lowe.

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#### **2      APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

It was reported that Councillors Blood and Crumpton were serving in place of Councillors Attwood and Lowe, respectively, for this meeting of the Committee only.

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#### **3      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, were received in respect of any matters to be considered at this meeting.

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#### **4      MINUTES**

##### **RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed.

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5      EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, as specified below and, in all the circumstances, the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

| <u>Description of item</u>                          | <u>Relevant paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A</u> |
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| Staffing Issue - Directorate of Children's Services | 1   |

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6      STAFFING ISSUE - DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive on the appointment of an Interim Director of Children's Services.

RESOLVED

- (1) That, subject to compliance with Rule 4 of the Council's Officer Employment Procedure Rules, Pauline Sharratt (currently the Assistant Director – Children and Families) be appointed as the Interim Director of Children's Services commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2013 until 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2014 (but operative from 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2013) and the Chief Executive be authorised, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Lifelong Learning, to extend this term if necessary.
- (2) That the Interim Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Lifelong Learning, be authorised to make any necessary arrangements for the backfilling of her duties as Assistant Director – Children and Families.

The meeting ended at 6.10 p.m.

CHAIR