APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Monday, 29th September, 2008 at 6.00 p.m. in Committee Room 3 at the Council House, Dudley

PRESENT

Councillor Caunt (Chairman) Councillors Ali, Knowles, Ms. Partridge, Sparks, Tyler and Mrs. Walker

OFFICERS

Director of Law and Property, Head of Personnel and Support Services and the Democratic Services Manager.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors Adams and Mrs. Millward.

2 APPOINTMENT OF ANY SUBSTITUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

It was reported that no substitute Members had been appointed for this meeting.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No member declared a personal or prejudicial interest, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, in respect of any matter to be considered at this meeting.

4 QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8

There were no questions under Council Procedure Rule 11.8.

5 <u>EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC</u>

RESOLVED

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 and, in all the circumstances, the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

6 CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Committee received a verbal report from the Director of Law and Property on the current employment situation with regard to a Chief Officer.

RESOLVED

That the verbal report be noted and a further report be made to a future meeting of the Committee.

7 EARLY RETIREMENT

The Committee received a verbal report from the Director of Law and Property on negotiations relating to the early retirement of a Chief Officer.

RESOLVED

That the Director of Law and Property be authorised, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to undertake negotiations for the early retirement of the officer referred to in the verbal report and report to a future meeting of the Committee on the outcome of the negotiations to enable the Committee to make a final decision.

The meeting ended at 6.20 p.m.

CHAIRMAN