



Appointments Committee

**Wednesday, 15 May 2024 9.00 a.m.
Box 17 Halton Stadium, Widnes**

S. Young

Chief Executive

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

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| Councillor Mike Wharton (Chair) | Labour |
| Councillor Tony McDermott | Labour |
| Councillor Stef Nelson | Labour |
| Councillor Margaret Ratcliffe | Liberal Democrats |
| Councillor Dave Thompson | Labour |

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IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

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PART II

**ITEM CONTAINING "EXEMPT" INFORMATION FALLING
WITHIN SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO
INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

In this case the Committee has a discretion to exclude the press and public but, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, it is RECOMMENDED that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having been satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, the press and 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 paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

- 3. APPOINTMENT OF OPERATIONAL DIRECTOR -
COMMUNITY AND GREENSPACE**

In accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act the Council is required to notify those attending meetings of the fire evacuation procedures. A copy has previously been circulated to Members and instructions are located in all rooms within the Civic block.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Appointments Committee held on Wednesday, 11 October 2023 at the Karalius Suite - Halton Stadium, Widnes

Present: Councillors Wharton (Chair), J. Bradshaw, McDermott, T. McInerney, Ratcliffe and Thompson

Apologies for Absence: None

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: S. Young, Z. Fearon and G. Haining

**ITEMS DEALT WITH
UNDER DUTIES
EXERCISABLE BY THE COMMITTEE**

APC7 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

Action

The Board considered:

- 1) whether members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- 2) whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption

outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business, in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

APC8 APPOINTMENT OF POST - OPERATIONAL DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE AND EARLY HELP

Following a long-listing recruitment process and the drawing up of a shortlist, the Committee considered candidates for the post of Operational Director, Children's Social Care and Early Help.

RESOLVED: That Katherine Appleton be appointed to the post of Operational Director, Children's Social Care and Early Help.

Chief Executive

Meeting ended at 10.45 a.m.