## APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE RE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

Present: Councillors L. Burnett, R. Crowley and B.T. Gray.

#### 611 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN -

RESOLVED – T H A T Councillor B.T. Gray be appointed Chairman for the Municipal Year.

#### 612 MINUTES -

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 be approved as a correct record.

## 613 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

Councillor Gray advised that he knew one of the applicants but that it did not constitute a personal or prejudicial interest.

## 614 MINUTES OF THE APPOINTMENTS PANEL RE STANDARDS COMMITTEE -

The Minutes of the meeting of the Appointments Panel re Standards Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 regarding the appointment of Independent Members to serve on the Council's Standards Committee were presented for consideration.

The Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services advised that six applications had been received for the two vacancies by the deadline with five applicants being subsequently shortlisted for interview on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

The Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services also took the opportunity to inform the Committee that a further application had been received outside of the deadline timescale with the applicant having been advised accordingly.

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting of the Appointments Panel of the Standards Committee be accepted.

## Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents contained therein.

#### 615 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC -

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and 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 Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

# 616 PART II MINUTES OF THE APPOINTMENTS PANEL RE STANDARDS COMMITTEE (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPH 12, 13 AND 14) –

The Part II Minutes of the Appointment Panel re Standards Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 were presented for consideration. The minutes advised that 5 applicants had been shortlisted for interview by the Panel on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

The Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services provided the Appointments Committee with a verbal update in respect of the interviews that had taken place in respect of each candidate.

Having considered the recommendations by the Appointments Panel re Standards Committee of 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, the verbal update provided by the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services at the meeting and in light of the advice of the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services regarding the decisions of the Panel it was subsequently

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) T H A T Mr. R. Alexander and Mr. G. Watkins be appointed as Independent Members to the Standards Committee, the terms of office to be for six years respectively to commence from 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2019, subject to the submission of two appropriate references per applicant.
- (2) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services in conjunction with the Chairman to consider and (if deemed appropriate) approve the references received.

## Reasons for decisions

- (1) To fill the vacancies of Independent Members on the Standards Committee subject to references being received.
- (2) Should the references be not accepted, that a further interview process be undertaken.