

APPOINTMENTS PANEL RE: STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held 2nd June, 2023.

Present: Councillors C.A. Cave, J. Protheroe, Mr. M. Brace (Lay Member), Councillor J. Drysdale (Town and Community Council Member).

Also present: D. Marles (Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services) and K. Bowen (Principal Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer).

(a) Appointment of Chair -

AGREED – T H A T Mr. M. Brace be appointed Chair for the Municipal year.

(b) Appointment of Vice-Chair –

AGREED – T H A T Councillor J. Protheroe be appointed Vice-Chair for the Municipal year.

(c) Declarations of Interest –

No personal close personal associations were declared at the meeting. However, it was noted that following circulation of the names of the applicants prior to the meeting Councillor G. John had declared a personal association in respect of one of the candidates and therefore did not take part in the interviews.

(d) Appointment of Town and Community Council Representative to Serve on the Council's Standards Committee –

The Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services, in presenting the report, advised on the appointment process that had been undertaken for the appointment of a Town and Community Council (TCC) representative on the Standards Committee. The process of appointing a TCC representative having been approved by Full Council with the remit of the Appointments Panel being to consider applications and report any recommendations to the Standards Committee Appointments Committee.

All Town and Community Councils had been advised of the process, a copy of the relevant information and provided with an application form for Town and Community Councillors to submit if appropriate. Three applications had been received and three applicants had been invited for interview.

(e) 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.

(f) Interview for the Appointment of a Town and Community Council Representative to sit on the Council's Standards Committee (Exempt Information – Paragraphs 12, 13 and 14) –

The Panel interviewed three applicants for the position and following the interviews the Panel subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T Councillor X be recommended to the Standards Committee Appointments Committee for appointment as the Town and Community Council representative on the Standards Committee until the next Local Government elections.

Reason for decision

Having considered the applications and the suitability of applicants to demonstrate the qualities and characteristics for the position as Town and Community Council representative on the Standards Committee.

N:B Details relating to X (the recommended candidate) will be shared during Part II of the Agenda for the Standards Appointments Committee.