

### **EPSOM AND EWELL**

Minutes of the EXTRAORDINARY Meeting of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH of EPSOM AND EWELL held at the Town Hall, Epsom on 28 November 2017

# PRESENT -

The Mayor (Councillor Liz Frost); The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Neil Dallen); Councillors Michael Arthur, Tony Axelrod, Richard Baker, John Beckett, Steve Bridger, Kate Chinn, Alex Clarke, George Crawford, Hannah Dalton, Graham Dudley, Chris Frost, Rob Geleit, Eber Kington, Omer Kokou-Tchri, Jan Mason, Barry Nash, Jane Race, David Reeve, Humphrey Reynolds, Guy Robbins, Clive Smitheram, Jean Steer, Alan Sursham, Mike Teasdale, Peter Webb and Clive Woodbridge

<u>Absent:</u> Councillors Rekha Bansil, Lucie Dallen, Robert Foote, Tina Mountain, Peter O'Donovan, Martin Olney, Keith Partridge, Vince Romagnuolo, David Wood and Tella Wormington

## 23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made by councillors regarding the item on the Agenda.

## 24 APPOINTMENT OF MONITORING OFFICER AND SECTION 151 OFFICER

Council received a report from the Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service, Kathryn Beldon, and the Appointment Panel, convened in accordance with the Constitution, regarding the appointment of the Council's Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer.

Councillor Eber Kington **MOVED**, and Councillor Clive Smitheram **SECONDED** the recommendations in the report.

In moving the recommendations, Councillor Kington thanked his colleagues on the Panel and the Head of HR and Organisational Development and her team for their support. He commended the appointment of Amardip Healy as the Council's Monitoring Officer, welcomed the interim appointment of Danny Surowiak to that role and the permanent appointment of Lee Duffy as the Council's Section 151 Officer.

Upon being put the recommendations were **CARRIED** (Unanimously).

Accordingly, it was

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- (1) That Amardip Healy be appointed as the Council's Monitoring Officer upon commencement of her employment as Chief Legal Officer;
- (2) That in the period from 1 December 2017 until Amardip Healy takes up her role, the Principal Solicitor, Danny Surowiak be appointed Monitoring Officer;
- (3) That Council notes that, with effect from the commencement of employment of the Chief Operating Officer on 2 January 2018, the role of Director of Finance & Resources will cease to form part of the Council's establishment:
- (4) That with effect from 2 January 2018 Lee Duffy be appointed as the Council's Section 151 Officer on a permanent basis while undertaking his substantive role as Head of Financial Services (which will be re-designated as Chief Finance Officer from the same date).
- (5) Authorises the Chief Executive to make arrangements to amend the Council's Constitution to reflect the changes in staffing structure including, for example, re-allocating delegated functions between the Chief Executive, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Finance Officer and Chief Legal Officer, in such ways as she thinks fit.

The meeting began at 7.30 pm and ended at 7.43 pm

COUNCILLOR LIZ FROST MAYOR