Meeting Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee

Date 30 March 2015

Present Councillors Simpson-Laing, Steward, Looker

(Substitute for Cllr Williams) and Runciman

(Substitute for Cllr Aspden)

Apologies Councillors Aspden, Watson and Williams

87. Election of Chair

Due to the absence of Councillor Williams, Members were asked to elect a Chair for the meeting.

Resolved: That Councillor Simpson Laing be elected Chair.

88. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting, Members were asked to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests that they might have had in the business on the agenda. None were declared.

89. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of annexes to Agenda Items 5 (Pension or Exit Discretion) and 6 (Redundancy) (Minute Items 91 and 92 refer).

90. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting of the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee held on 16 March 2015 be approved and signed by the Chair as an accurate record.

91. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

92. Pension or Exit Discretion

Members received a report which advised them of the expenditure associated with pension or exit discretions in accordance with council policy.

A confidential annex was circulated which included details of a request for flexible retirement from an employee, there was no cost associated with the proposal.

Resolved: That the Council should exercise its discretionary

powers and approve the flexible retirement.

Reason: In order to provide an overview of the expenditure.

93. Redundancy

Members considered a report which advised them of the expenditure associated with the dismissal of six employees on the grounds of voluntary redundancy.

Confidential annexes containing details of the redundancies were circulated.

Resolved: That the expenditure associated with six employees

on the grounds of voluntary redundancy as detailed

in the annexes be noted.

Reason: In order to provide an overview of the expenditure.