

Notice of a public meeting of

Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee

To: Councillors Alexander (Chair), Boyce, Fraser, Gillies

and Aspden

Date: Monday, 30 September 2013

Time: 1.00 pm

Venue: The Auden Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G047)

<u>AGENDA</u>

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting, Members are asked to declare:

- any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- any prejudicial interests or
- any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

2. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider the exclusion of the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following:

The annex to agenda item 5 (Redundancy) on the grounds that it contains information relating to individuals and the financial affairs of particular persons. This information is classed as

exempt under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

3. Minutes (Pages 3 - 6)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee held on 16 September 2013.

4. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Committee's remit can do so. The deadline for registering is **5.00 pm** on **Friday 27 September 2013**.

5. Redundancy (Pages 7 - 8)

This report advises the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee of expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of an employee on the grounds of redundancy.

6. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

Democracy Officer:

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City of York Council	Committee Minutes
Meeting	Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee
Date	16 September 2013
Present	Councillors Boyce, Gillies, Simpson-Laing (Chair) (Substitute for Councillor Alexander), Reid (Substitute for Councillor Aspden) and Looker (substitute for Councillor Fraser)
Apologies	Councillors Alexander, Fraser and Aspden

31. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting, Members were invited to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests, not included on the Register of Interests, that they may have in respect of the business on the agenda. Councillor Looker declared a personal interest as her son and daughter-in-law were employees of City of York Council.

32. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the annex to agenda item 5 (Redundancy) on the grounds that it contains information relating to individuals and the financial affairs of particular persons. This information is classed as exempt under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

33. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting of the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee held on 5 August 2013 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

34. Public Participation

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

35. Redundancy

Members considered a report that advised the Committee on the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of a number of employees on the grounds of redundancy. The summary information covered the period May 2013 to July 2013.

Resolved: That the expenditure associated with the proposed

dismissal of the employees on the grounds of redundancy detailed in the annex to the report be

noted.

Reason: In order to provide an overview of the expenditure

and to maintain transparency and scrutiny of the

process.

36. Changes to Appointments to Outside Bodies

Members considered a report that sought approval for a change to the Outside Bodies list that had been approved at the Annual Council meeting on 23 May 2013.

The requested change was to appoint Parish Councillor Kate Pace as a City of York Council representative on the Foss (2008) Internal Drainage Board (IDB) in place of Parish Councillor Derek Jones. Both were members of Earswick Parish Council.

The matter had been brought to the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee for agreement, as the next meeting of the Internal Drainage Board was due to take place on 9 September 2013 and the next full Council meeting was not scheduled to take place until 18 October 2013.

Resolved: That Parish Councillor Kate Pace be appointed to

replace Councillor Derek Jones as a CYC

representative on the Foss (2008) Internal Drainage Board for the remainder of the 2013/14 municipal

year.

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Reason: In order to make appropriate appointments to the

Council's Committees and Outside Bodies for the

current municipal year.

Councillor Alexander, Chair [The meeting started at 1.00 pm and finished at 1.10 pm].

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Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee

30 September 2013

Report of the Director of Customer and Business Support Services

Redundancy

Summary

1. This report advises the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee of the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of an employee on the grounds of redundancy.

Background

2. The background and detailed case surrounding the proposal are contained in the business case to be circulated at the meeting as an annex to this report.

Consultation

3. The proposed redundancy has been subject to consultation in accordance with the Council's statutory obligations.

Options

4. The Committee has the power within the Council's procedures to approve discretionary enhancements to redundancy and/or pension payments. The Committee does not have the power to make lower payments. By law the decisions as to whether or not to make an employee redundant rests with the Chief Executive or Officers nominated by her.

Analysis

5. The analysis of the proposal can be found in the business case.

Council Plan

6. Whilst the actions being proposed in the report are not material to the Council Plan they are consistent with the required outcomes of the More 4 York programme.

Implications

7. The implications the proposal can be found in the business case.

Risk Management

8. The specific risks associated with the proposal and how it can be mitigated are contained in the business case. In summary, the risks associated with the recommended option are financial, legal, operational and reputational.

Recommendations

9. Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee is asked to:

Consider and note the proposal presented on the grounds of redundancy as detailed in the annex.

Reason: In order to provide an overview of expenditure and to

consider whether the Council should exercise its discretionary powers to make enhancements.

Contact Details

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Support Support Services

Human Resources Report $\sqrt{}$ Date 19.09.2013

Ext 4518 Approved

Specialist Implications Officer(s):

Wards Affected: List wards or tick box to indicate all All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers: None

Annex

Individual Business Case (to be circulated at the meeting)