

## Notice of a public meeting of

## **Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee**

**To:** Councillors Steward (Chair), Aspden (Vice-Chair) and

Williams

Date: Monday, 26 October 2015

**Time:** 5.30 pm

**Venue:** The Thornton Room - Ground Floor, West Offices

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## **AGENDA**

#### 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. Minutes** (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee held on 28 September 2015.

# 3. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered to speak can do so. The deadline for registering is **5.00pm** on **Friday 23 October 2015.** Members of the public can

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# 4. Appointment of Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health (Pages 3 - 12)

This report seeks formal approval to establish an Appointments Committee and to delegate sufficient powers to that Committee to enable them to conduct the recruitment process, select and appoint an Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health.

# 5. Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies (Pages 13 - 16)

This report asks Members to agree an appointment to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

## 6. Urgent Business

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

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City of York Council	Committee Minutes
Meeting	Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee
Date	28 September 2015
Present	Councillors Steward (Chair) and Aspden (Vice-Chair)
Apologies	Councillors Williams

#### 1. Declarations of Interest

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

#### 2. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of annexes to Agenda Item 6 (Redundancy) (Minute Item 40 refers) on the grounds that they contain information relating to individuals and the financial affairs of particular persons. This information is classed as exempt under paragraphs 1,2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

#### 3. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup>

September 2015 be approved and signed by

the Chair as a correct record.

# 4. Public Participation

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

## 5. Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies

Members were asked to agree the appointment of an additional substitute to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Resolved: That the following nomination be agreed:

Superintendant Richard Anderson as a

substitute member to the Council's Health and

Wellbeing Board.

Reason: In order to make appropriate appointments to

the Council's Committees and Outside Bodies

for the current municipal year.

#### 6. Redundancies

Members received a report which presented them with a number of redundancy cases.

A confidential annex was circulated to Members which included details of the redundancies, and associated expenditure.

Resolved: That the expenditure associated with the employees on the grounds of redundancy as detailed in the confidential annex be noted.

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

Councillor C Steward, Chair [The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 5.35 pm].



#### **Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee**

26 October 2015

Report of the Interim Director of Public Health

## Appointment of Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health

#### **Summary**

This report seeks formal approval to establish an Appointments Committee and to delegate sufficient powers to that Committee to enable them to conduct the recruitment process, select and appoint an Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health, subject to the requirements of the standing orders on appointments and the statutory instrument NHS (Appointment of Consultants) Regulations 1996 as amended (S.I.1996/701 as amended by S.I.2002/2469; S.I.2003/1250; S.I.2004/696 and S.I.2004/3365).

## **Background**

- 2. Statutory responsibility for the delivery of public health services transferred from the NHS to the Council on 1 April 2013, as conferred by the Health and Social Care Act 2012. Consultant in Public Health posts transferred to the Council under these arrangements.
- 3. There has been a period of transition since the transfer of Public Health duties to the Council and a new structure for public health has been implemented with effect from 1 June 2015. The primary objective of the revised structure is to deliver a public health service which is fit for purpose and enables the Council to meet its ongoing responsibilities for mandated public health functions set out in government regulations, and for improving the health and wellbeing of York's residents.
- 4. The Council is still developing its Public Health function post transition but it is important that we do not lose momentum in our work to improve health and wellbeing and tackle inequalities and the need to secure the ongoing strategic leadership of our Public Health services is key to this.
- 5. The new Public Health structure implemented from 1 June 2015 has two Consultant in Public Health posts, which are both vacant. This report is

seeking approval to appoint an Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health to one of these vacancies as a joint post with North Yorkshire County Council and the Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group. The remaining Consultant post will be kept vacant pending the wider review of the senior management arrangements in the Council.

#### The Role

- 6. One of the mandated public health functions that local authorities are required to deliver includes the provision of specialist public health advice and support to the commissioning of health and care services. The Council has worked with the Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group to develop a Memorandum of Understanding which agrees the core public health offer to the CCG. A key function of the role of the Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health will be to deliver the Memorandum of Understanding and ensure that there is specialist public health advice to support improved health and wellbeing outcomes and better integration across health and social care.
- 7. The Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health will also deputise for the Director of Public Health and have a key role in ensuring that York has effective partnership working with other parts of the NHS and Public Health system such as NHS England and Public Health England.
- 8. In addition, it is expected that the post holder will have a direct influence on service planning in the Council across all Directorates and on CCG commissioning to improve health and reduce inequalities.
- 9. The post will be advertised on the CYC Jobs Website, the NHS Jobs Website and in the Health Service Journal as well as being promoted through social media channels and public health networks.

# Remuneration Package

- 10. In advance of the TUPE transfer of staff from the NHS to the Council in 2013, it was agreed that for the purpose of equity in the future appointments to the public health function (post TUPE transfer) would be made in accordance with City of York Council terms and conditions of service and pay grades.
- 11. The job description for the Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health has been job evaluated using the job evaluation scheme for senior roles in the Council and assigned a grade at Assistant Director level i.e. £68,197 to £75,766.

- 12. Information sourced from Public Health England has confirmed that local authorities who have tested the market have found they needed to offer salaries in this range to secure an appointment.
- 13. It is anticipated that the position will attract interest from medical and non-medical public health specialists. Eligibility for these roles is strictly governed by the Faculty of Public Health.

#### **Appointments Committee**

- 14. The constitution of an Advisory Appointments Committee (AAC) for Director and Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health roles is laid down in statute in accordance with the following regulations:
  - Statutory Instrument NHS (appointment of Consultants) Regulations 1996 as amended (S.I.1996/701 as amended by S.I.2002/2469, S.I.2003/1250, S.I.2004/696 and S.I.2004/3365)
- 15. As a minimum, the AAC for the Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health would comprise the following:
  - Local Authority elected member as Chair of the panel (known as a lay member)
  - Director of Public Health for the local authority
  - Public Health England (PHE) Regional Director or another senior professionally qualified member of PHE acting on his/her behalf
  - External assessor appointed after consultation with the Faculty of Public Health
  - Senior NHS representation from the Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group e.g. Chief Clinical Officer or a nominated deputy
- 16. The local authority may appoint additional members as it considers appropriate but the majority of the committee must consist of the Council and professional members.
- 17. For the purpose of these appointments the Council's current Constitution for an Appointments Committee will need to be amended to reflect the joint nature of the appointment with Public Health England (PHE) on behalf of the Secretary of State for Health, but would include at least one member of the Executive, to shortlist and interview applicants for the position and to determine who should be offered the vacant post.
- 18. The recruitment process is attached at Appendix A outlining the changes in the decision making process, which need to be approved. These would

need to be adopted on this occasion to ensure the appointment conforms to the requirements of the statutory instrument governing appointments at this level within public health.

#### Consultation

19. Consultation has taken place with the Corporate Management Team, Public Health England, Public Health team and the Trade Unions.

## **Options / Analysis**

20. There are no alternative options for members on the recruitment process to consider, other than simply not proceeding with the recruitment to the post.

#### **Council Plan**

21. Making an appointment to this post will contribute to the delivery of the Council Plan and its priorities.

## **Associated Implications**

- 22. The following implications have been considered:
  - Financial Including employer on costs the total salary costs are estimated at between £88,766 at the bottom of the grade to a maximum of £98,871 if the appointment is made at the top of the grade. This will be funded from the Department of Health Public Health Grant allocation to the Council. Because the geographical footprint of the Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group includes residents of North Yorkshire County Council, the NYCC Public Health Team will meet a proportion of the costs. The actual amount is being negotiated but is likely to be in the region of £16,000 per annum.
  - Human Resources The job description for the Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health has been subject to the Council's established job evaluation mechanism and the salary has been confirmed as £68,197 to £75,766. The Appointments Committee would be in line with the constitutional requirements for the recruitment and appointment of Chief Officers supplemented by the Statutory Instrument governing the appointment of public health specialists at this level.
  - **Equalities** The post will be recruited to in accordance with the Council's Equalities policy to ensure no candidates receive less favourable treatment on the grounds of a 'protected characteristic'.

- Legal The process for appointing officers at this level within Public Health is regulated by the Local Authority (Standing Orders) (England) Regulations 2001, supplemented by the NHS Statutory Instrument governing appointments of medical and non-medical public health specialists.
- Crime and Disorder There are no crime and disorder implications
- Information Technology (IT) There are no IT implications
- **Property** There are no property implications
- Other There are no other implications.

## **Risk Management**

- 23. The prospect of no appointment of a delayed appointment puts the Council at risk of failing to meet the statutory duties set out in government regulations for public health.
- 24. Failure to deliver on the statutory duties could seriously impact on the health and wellbeing of the population of York.

#### Recommendations

- 25. It is recommended that Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee:
  - a) Approve the filling of the position of Assistant Director (Consultant) in Public Health on a permanent basis on Chief Officer grade 10 £68,197 to £75,766
  - b) Approve the advertising of this opportunity on the CYC Jobs Website, the NHS Jobs Website and in a hard copy journal such as the Health Service Journal as well as promoting the opportunity using social media channels and public health networks.
  - c) Approve the establishment of an Advisory Appointments Committee, constituted in accordance with NHS Statutory Instruments governing recruitment to consultant level roles in the NHS.
  - d) Agree that in addition to the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board a representative from the Conservative and Labour groups sits on the advisory appointment committee as nominated by the respective political group.

e) The Advisory Appointments Committee to be authorised to conduct the interviews, select successful candidates and make offers of employment subject to the necessary employment procedures and standing orders

Reason: To progress the appointment and reduce risks highlighted in the report in relation to this critical role required to deliver the Council's statutory responsibilities.

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Report Approved  $\sqrt{}$ 

**Date** 07/10/15

# **Specialist Implications Officer(s)**

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Services

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Wards Affected: List wards or tick box to indicate all

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# Appendix:

A. Amended Chief Officer recruitment process to incorporate NHS statutory instrument

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# Appendix A

# **Chief Officer\* Recruitment Process - Officer / Members decisions**

\*A Chief Officer is defined as an officer who is employed under the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Officers of Local Authorities Terms & Conditions

Ke	y Recruitment & Selection decision stages	Officer Decision / Member Decision
1.	Develop proposal to create a new or amend an existing Chief Officer post	Officer decision: Chief Executive or Director
2.	Establish new permanent Chief Officer post	Member decision
From this point on the Regional Director at Public Health England (PHE) and the Faculty of Public Health (F of PH) assessor must be involved in the process		
3.	Develop and agree Job description & Person Specification	Officer decision in conjunction with the PHE and F of PH
4.	Confirm the grade of the post	Officers to implement job evaluation outcomes within Chief Officer pay structure
5.	Agree recruitment budget	Officers decision subject to budgetary provision
6.	Commence recruitment activity	Officer proposal subject to Member decision
7.	Establish Appointments Committee to include Chair of Health and Wellbeing Board who is a Lib Dem member and two other members one from each of the Conservative and Labour groups	Officer proposal subject to PHE and F of PH nominations for membership of appointments committee
8.	Confirm method to source applicants i.e. the council's jobs	Appointments Committee subject to proposal from Officers (Chief

website, a national advert	Executive or Director and Head of
placed in one health related journal and the NHS Jobs website	Human Resources or nominated substitute). Proposal to include recommendation on advertising media, approve the cost arising from this and run recruitment process in-house.
	Technical assessment will be undertaken by the representatives of PHE and F of PH. Recruitment team should be able to manage the process in-house as the candidate pool will be of a specialist nature and relatively small.
9. Short list applicants	All AAC members to determine short list in accordance with job description and person specification.
10. Informal reception event(s) for short listed candidates (not part of the recruitment process)	Officer decision in consultation with Appointments Committee to determine Invitees.
11. Final selection process	Appointments Committee, advised by Officers (Chief Executive or relevant Director and Head of Human Resources, or nominated substitute) and PHE and F of PH representatives on technical suitability of candidates.
12. Determine salary of role to be offered	Appointments Committee, subject to Council pay policy and within job evaluated range for post.
13. Agree appointment	Appointments Committee subject to Standing Orders (objections from the Executive) and recommendation of the representatives from PHE and F of PH.



# **Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee**

26 October 2015

Report of the Assistant Director, Governance and ICT

### **Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies**

#### **Summary**

- At the Annual Council meeting on 21 May 2015, appointments were made to Committees, Outside and Partnership bodies together with appointments to Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the 2015/16 municipal year.
- 2. A number of changes to appointments were made at the following Full Council meeting on 16 July 2015. The majority of these outstanding appointments were agreed at this meeting, but since then a request for a further nomination has been received for one of the Council's Board's.

#### **Background**

3. The Council makes appointments at its Annual Meeting, to Committees for the coming year. As the Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee has authority to deal with any changes or appointments to those Committees and bodies within year, the following addition has been put forward for consideration:

# **Health and Wellbeing Board**

For the status of Sharon Stoltz, the City of York Council's Interim Director of Public Health to be changed from substitute to full Board Member after the departure of Julie Hotchkiss.

4. This matter has been brought to the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee for agreement as the next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board is due to take place on 2 December 2015.

#### Consultation

5. As this is a substitute appointment to the Health and Wellbeing Board no consultation has been undertaken in respect of the appointment.

#### **Options**

6. There are no options for this nomination.

#### Council Plan 2011-15

7. Maintaining an appropriate decision making and scrutiny structure and appointees to that, together with appropriate nominees to outside bodies, contributes to the Council delivering its core priorities set out in the current Council Plan, effectively.

#### **Implications**

- 8. There are no known implications in relation to the following in terms of dealing with the specific matters before Members:
  - Financial
  - Human Resources (HR)
  - Equalities
  - Crime and Disorder
  - Property
  - Other

## **Legal Implications**

9. The Council is statutorily obliged to make appointments to Committees, Advisory Committees, Sub-Committees and certain other prescribed bodies in accordance with the political balance rules.

# **Risk Management**

10. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

#### Recommendations

11. Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee is asked to endorse the appointment of Sharon Stoltz as a full Board Member on the Council's Health and Wellbeing Board.

Reason: In order to make appropriate appointments to the Council's Committees and Outside Bodies for the current municipal year.

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Date 2 October 2015

# **Specialist Implications Officers**

Not applicable

Wards Affected: Not applicable

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**Background Papers** 

None

**Annexes** 

None

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