

# Notice of a public meeting of

# **Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee**

To: Councillors Carr (Chair), Aspden (Vice-Chair) and

Looker

Date: Monday, 9 January 2017

**Time:** 5.30 pm

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

(G039)

# **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. Exclusion of Press and Public

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

Annexes to Agenda Item 5 (Redundancy) 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 to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

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

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee held on 9 May 2016.

# 4. 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 on **Friday 6 January 2017** at **5.00pm**. Members of the public can speak on agenda items or matters within the remit of the committee.

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# **5.** Redundancy (Pages 3 - 8)

This report advises the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee of the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of a number of employees on the grounds of redundancy (annexes to follow).

# 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	9 May 2016
Present	Councillors Aspden (Vice-Chair), Rawlings (Substitute for Councillor Steward) and Looker
Apologies	Councillor Steward

#### 86. Declarations of Interest

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

#### 87. 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 90 & 91 refer) on the grounds that they contained 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 to Section 100A of the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

#### 88. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee held on 25 April 2016 be signed and approved as a correct record.

# 89. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registered speakers under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

#### 90. Pension or Exit Discretion

Members received a report which advised them of expenditure associated with a pension or exit discretion, dealt with in accordance with Council policy requirements.

A proposal for a flexible retirement request was circulated as a confidential annex to Members at the meeting. They were informed that this would be at no cost to the Council.

Members were happy to agree to the proposal.

Resolved: That the proposal be agreed.

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

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

# 91. Redundancy

Members received a report which advised them of the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of two employees on the grounds of voluntary redundancy.

Individual business cases were circulated as confidential annexes at the meeting.

In response to a Member's question the redundancy calculation used by the Council was confirmed.

Resolved: That the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of the employees on the grounds of redundancy as detailed in the annexes circulated be noted.

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

Councillor K Aspden, Vice Chair in the Chair [The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 5.37 pm].



# **Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee**

9 January 2017

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Director Customer & Corporate Services

#### Redundancy

# **Summary**

 This report advises the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee of the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of a number of employees on the grounds of redundancy.

# **Background**

2. The background and detailed case surrounding each proposal are contained in the individual business cases as annexes to this report *(to follow).* 

#### Consultation

3. All of the proposed redundancies have 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 each proposal can be found in the respective business case.

#### Council Plan 2015-19

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 Workforce Strategy.

#### **Implications**

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

# **Risk Management**

8. The specific risks associated with each proposal and how they can be mitigated is contained in each 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 note the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of the employees on the grounds of redundancy detailed in the annexes (to follow).

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

#### **Contact Details**

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# **Specialist Implications Officer(s):**

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

For further information please contact the author of the report

# **Background Papers:**

None

#### Annexes

Individual Business Cases (to follow and included in the republished agenda)

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