

Annex 1

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.

Key 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 a new temporary or permanent Chief Officer post	Member decision
3. Develop and agree Job description & Person Specification	Officer decision
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	Officer proposal subject to Member decision
8. Confirm method to source applicants i.e. advert, use of search / consultancy services	Appointments Committee subject to proposal from Officers (Chief Executive or Director and Head of Human Resources or nominated substitute). Proposal to include recommendation on advertising media and a recommendation to use external recruitment consultants or run in-house and if so, what services to use. Options include search, response handling, technical assessment, long-listing, shortlisting, support at final stage or a combination therein. Criteria to be considered are: i. Grade and salary in relation to the market; ii. Current employment market situation; iii. Design of post and likelihood of direct skills match; iv. Technical expertise being sought; v. Ability to conduct technical assessment in-house; vi. CYC capacity to handle in-house.
9. Long-list applicants	Officer decision in accordance with job description and person specification
10. Interview long listed applicants / conduct selection tests / assessment centre	Officer panel or recruitment consultant
11. Short list applicants	Officer decision in accordance with job description and person specification
12. Informal reception event(s) for short listed candidates (not part of the recruitment process)	Officer decision in consultation with Appointments Committee to determine invitees
13. Final selection process	Appointments Committee, advised by Officers

	(Chief Executive or relevant Director and Head of Human Resources, or nominated substitute) and recruitment consultants (if appropriate)
14. Determine salary of role to be offered	Appointments Committee, subject to Council pay policy and within job evaluated range for post
15. Agree appointment	Appointments Committee subject to Standing Orders (objections from the Executive)