

HORNDEAN PARISH COUNCIL STAFF COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE STAFF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY WITH MICROSOFT TEAMS ON MONDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2020 AT 6:30PM

PRESENT:

Cllr R Veitch (Chairman), Cllr Mrs I Weeks (Vice Chairman), Cllr Mrs L Evans, Cllr Mrs E Tickell.

IN ATTENDANCE: Carla Baverstock-Jones, Chief Officer; Cheree Garvey, Office Manager

(Minute Taker).

PUBLIC

ATTENDANCE:

There were no members of the public or press present.

SC 001 20/21

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All members were in attendance.

SC 002 20/21

TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

SC 003 20/21

TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 16th MARCH 2020

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Staff Committee meeting held on 16th March 2020 be duly signed as a true record of the meeting.

This was proposed by Cllr R Veitch and seconded by Cllr Mrs E Tickell. All agreed.

SC 004 20/21

TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER THE DRAFT REVISED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT USAGE POLICY

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. A discussion took place.

The following amendments were proposed

- Email Policy 2.12, to include 'gross misconduct'. The chief officer is to check with HALC whether this is permissible.
- IT and Computer Policy 3.4, to remove 'locked away'. The Chief Officer to check with the insurers that laptops kept at home are covered.

It was **RESOLVED** that the proposed amendments be made and the Policy be agreed at the next scheduled Council meeting.

This was proposed by Cllr R Veitch and seconded by Cllr Mrs L Evans. All agreed.

SC 005 20/21

TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER THE NEW CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT (STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS)

The related documents were circulated prior to the meeting. A discussion took place.

Cllr Mrs L Evans proposed that the Chief Officer incorporate and additional aspects, as suggested by HALC, to the current employment contract.

It was **RESOLVED** that the contract of employment is adjusted and agreed at the next scheduled Council meeting.

This was proposed by Cllr Mrs L Evans and seconded by Cllr R Veitch.

SC 006 20/21

TO RECEIVE AND REPORT AND CONSIDER THE NEW DISCIPLINARY POLICY AND PROCEDURE

The related documents were circulated prior to the meeting. A discussion took place.

The following was proposed:

 The appeals panel is to be separate to the disciplinary panel and should be independent from the members of the Staff Committee

It was **RESOLVED** that the proposed changes be made and the agreement be reviewed and approved by Council at the next scheduled meeting.

This was proposed by Cllr R Veitch and seconded by Cllr Mrs I Weeks.

SC 007 20/21

TO RECEIVE AND REPORT AND CONSIDER THE NEW GRIEVANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURE

The related documents were circulated prior to the meeting. A discussion took place.

The following was proposed:

The appeals panel is to be separate to the disciplinary panel and should be independent from the members of the Staff Committee

It was **RESOLVED** that the proposed changes be made and the agreement be reviewed and approved by Council at the next scheduled meeting.

This was proposed by Cllr R Veitch and seconded by Cllr Mrs E Tickell.

SC 008 20/21

TO AGREE TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS, IN THE VIEW THAT PUBLICITY WOULD PREJUDICE THE PUBLIC INTEREST BY REASON OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS OR ARISING OUT OF THE BUSINESS ABOUT TO BE TRANSACTED

There were no members of the public or press present.

Public meeting closed at 7:00pm.

Confidential part of the meeting

SC 009 20/21

TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE EXPIRY OF THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD IN RESPECT OF TWO STAFF MEMBERS WITHIN THE COUNTRYSIDE TEAM

A report prepared by the Chief Officer was circulated.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Council that the both post holders remains employed within their current roles.

This was proposed by Cllr R Veitch and seconded by Cllr Mrs I Weeks. All agreed

The meeting closed at 7:08pm

Chairman

24th March 2021

Dated