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Appointments Committee

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This meeting will be held on:

Date: **Monday 22 May 2023**

Time: **11.00 am**

Place: **Plowman Room - Oxford Town Hall**

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Committee Membership

Councillors: Membership 5: Quorum 3: substitutes are permitted.

Councillor Shaista Aziz	Cabinet Member for Inclusive Communities and Culture
Councillor Chewe Munkonge	Deputy Leader, Cabinet Member for Leisure and Parks
Councillor Linda Smith	Cabinet Member for Housing
Councillor Dr Christopher Snowton	

Apologies and notification of substitutes received before the publication are shown under *Apologies for absence* in the agenda. Those sent after publication will be reported at the meeting. Substitutes for the Chair and Vice-chair do not take on these roles.

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Part 1 - Public Business

1 Apologies for absence and substitutions

Apologies received from Councillor Munkonge.

Any other apologies and substitutions to be confirmed at the meeting.

2 Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

The Committee may choose not to appoint a Vice Chair.

Part 2 - Matters Exempt from publication

If the Committee wishes to exclude the press and public from the meeting during its consideration of the item on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for the Committee to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 specifying the grounds on which their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

(The Access to Information Procedure Rules at Section 15.4 of the Council's Constitution set out the conditions under which the public can be excluded from meetings).

3 Appointment of Interim Executive Director, Communities and People

Exempt: By Virtue of Paragraph 1 Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 Information relating to any individual. The public interest in maintaining the exemption is so that discussions and deliberations of the Committee about candidates are not compromised and so that the confidentiality of information provided by candidates is protected.

The Committee to consider the appointment of an Interim Executive Director, Communities and People. Interview paperwork and scheduled to be circulated separately.

The Committee is recommended to:

- Agree the appointment a preferred candidate to the post of Interim Executive Director, Communities and People.
- Delegate the making of an offer and the agreement of all terms and conditions including salary to the Chief Executive, subject to confirmation within a time set by the Head of Business Improvement that no member of the Cabinet has any objection to the appointment, or the Appointments Committee being satisfied that any objection is not material or well-founded (Parts 7.8 and 20.6 of the Constitution).

4 Minutes

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Committee held on 16 May 2023.

Information for those attending

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Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest. If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

*Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

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