

Minutes of the meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES** Committee held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Wednesday 7 March 2007 at 5.00 pm.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor C J Smith (Vice-Chairman in the Chair)

Councillors: S C Manion  
F J W Scales  
P J Wells

Also Present: Councillor J A Cronk

Officers: Chief Executive  
Head of Governance  
Human Resources Manager  
Democratic Services Manager

396 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4 it was noted that Councillor F J W Scales had been appointed as substitute for Councillor P A Watkins.

397 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 7 February 2007 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

398 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the remainder of the business on the grounds that the item to be considered involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

399 REMOVAL OF POST

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Executive on the removal of the post of Deputy Chief Executive and the results of the consultation with the trade unions.

- RESOLVED: (a) That the post of Deputy Chief Executive be removed from the establishment and the current post holder's employment be terminated on the grounds of redundancy by the giving of contractual notice.
- (b) That the Chief Executive be authorised to determine the post holder's precise date of leaving and to agree with the post holder the amount of any consequential pay in lieu of notice.
- (c) That the Post holder be awarded the maximum amount of discretionary compensation for loss of office in

accordance with the Council's current policies under the Local Government (Early Termination of Employment (Discretionary Payments) (England and Wales) Regulations 2006.

The meeting ended at 5.20 pm.