

Chief Officer Appointments Panel

Friday 15 August 2025

PRESENT:

Councillor Dann, in the Chair.

Councillors Aspinall, Mrs Beer, Blight, Coker, Cresswell, Dann and Lugger.

Also in attendance: Chris Squire (Service Director for HROD) and Jake Metcalfe (Democratic Support)

The meeting started at 1.00 pm and finished at 1.31 pm.

Note: At a future meeting, the Panel will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

7. **Apologies**

There were apologies received from:

- Councillor Evans OBE, Councillor Dann substituted.
- Councillor Laing, Councillor Cresswell substituted.

The Panel agreed to appoint Councillor Dann as Chair for this meeting.

8. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

9. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting that were held on 03 July 2025, 04 July 2025 and 11 July 2025 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

10. **Chair's Urgent Business**

There were no items of chairs urgent business.

11. **Recruitment to the role of Service Director for Customer Experience and Digital**

The Panel agreed that under Section 100(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 4 of Part 1 of Scheduled 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

(Please note that there is a confidential minute to this item)

The Panel agreed to restart the recruitment process for a Service Director for Customer Experience and Digital on either an interim or permanent basis.

12. **Recruitment to the role of Service Director for Customer Experience and Digital** (To Follow)

This item was not discussed as there were no candidates put forward to the Panel.