

MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting of the Communities Appointments Committee

Friday, 04 September 2020

remote locations via video conference,

PRESENT

Councillor Theresa Coull, Councillor Gordon Cowie, Councillor Paula Coy, Councillor Lorna Creswell, Councillor Ryan Edwards, Councillor Donald Gatt, Councillor Maria McLean, Councillor Louise Nicol, Councillor Laura Powell

IN ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance at the above meeting were the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance), the Head of HR,ICT and Organisational Development), Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance (Item 4 only) and Tracey Sutherland, Committee Services Officer.

1. Chair of Meeting

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Louise Nicol.

2. Resolution

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items of business appearing at paragraph 4 of this minute as specified below, so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the class described in paragraph 1 part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

3. Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests *

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

4. Recruitment for Head of Housing and Property Services

A report by the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) asked the Committee to consider the candidate reports and overarching summary report in terms of the agreed Recruitment and Selection of Senior Staff Policy.

During consideration Councillor Gatt, seconded by Councillor Powell proposed that an additional recommendation be added relative to any future recruitment exercise.

Due to concerns as to the competence of the motion, the Chair agreed to adjourn the meeting to allow legal advice to be sought.

The Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance joined the meeting following the adjournment.

On the resumption of the meeting and following advice from the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, the Chair declared the motion as incompetent and moved to approve the recommendations as detailed in the report.

As there was no-one otherwise minded the Committee agreed to:

- i) note the summary candidate reports; and
- ii) accept the recommendation of this report not to appoint at this time.