



INVESTIGATING AND DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, YSTRAD MYNACH ON 21ST JANUARY 2015 AT 5:00PM

PRESENT:

Councillors:

W. David, N. George, S. Morgan, Ms J. Pritchard, D. Rees, R. Woodyatt, Ms. R. Passmore and R Gough (attending as substitute for J. Taylor)

Together with:

L. Donovan (HR Service Manager), A. Price (Interim Head of Democratic Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer) and E. Sullivan (Democratic Services Officer).

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor J. Taylor.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received at the beginning or during the course of the meeting.

3. MINUTES - 15TH SEPTEMBER 2014

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Investigation and Disciplinary Committee held on 15th September 2014 (minute nos. 1 - 7), be approved as correct record and signed by the Chair.

The Interim Deputy Monitoring Officer confirmed that although the committee had agreed at its last meeting that it would not sit again unless significant new information had been received, it had become necessary at this time to consider and review the referrals and provisions previously accepted in order to adhere to the Council's Disciplinary Procedure for Statutory Officers.

4. EXEMPT MATTER

Members considered the public interest test certificate from the Proper Officer and concluded that on balance the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information. By a show of hands this was unanimously agreed and it was:

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public may be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure to them of exempt information as identified in paragraph 12 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (As Amended).

5. TO CONSIDER REFERRAL(S) UNDER THE COUNCIL'S DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE FOR STATUTORY OFFICERS (VERBAL UPDATE)

Members received a verbal update and were advised that following the conclusion of the external investigation the Investigating and Disciplinary Committee would be required to meet in order to consider any preliminary investigation report and whether or no to formally instruct the Designated Independent Person. It was moved and seconded that the Committee Clerk subject to Members availability, secure the earliest possible date following the conclusion of the external investigation for this meeting and by a show of hands this was unanimously agreed.

Members reviewed the referrals previously accepted. Having fully considered the issues involved it was moved and seconded that the provisions previously agreed continue unchanged pending the outcome of the ongoing external investigations and that the parties concerned be informed of the decision of the committee and by a show of hand this was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that the referrals and provisions previously accepted continue unchanged.

The meeting closed at 5:25 p.m.

Approved as a correct record, and subject to any amendments or corrections agreed and recorded in the minutes of the next meeting, they were signed by the Chair.

CHAIR