

INVESTIGATING DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, YSTRAD MYNACH ON 3RD APRIL 2014 AT 5:00PM

PRESENT:

Councillor H. David - Chairman

Councillors: Mrs B. Jones, G. Kirby, Ms J. Pritchard, D. Rees, J. Taylor and R. Woodyatt.

By Invitation: Substitute Member Councillor R. Gough

Together with:

S. Rosser (Interim Chief Executive), L. Donovan (HR Service Manager), A. Price (Barrister) and E. Sullivan (Democratic Services Officer)

APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs J. Summers (Substitute Member).

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

2. MINUTES - 29TH OCTOBER 2013

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Investigation and Disciplinary Committee held on 29th October 2013 (minute nos. 1 - 5, on page nos. 1 - 2), be approved as correct record and signed by the Chair.

3. 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).

4. TO REVIEW REFERRAL(S) PREVIOUSLY MADE UNDER THE COUNCIL'S DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE FOR STATUTORY OFFICERS AND DETERMINE STEPS TO BE UNDERTAKEN

Members received a verbal update from the Interim Chief Executive on the present position of the referrals made under the Council's Disciplinary Procedure for Statutory Officers.

The key events, issues and estimated timescales were outlined and the options available to the Committee detailed. The Interim Chief Executive advised that external legal advice had been sought with regard to potential options going forward. These would be collated and a report presented to the next appropriate meeting of this Committee.

The Chair thanked the Interim Chief Executive and having fully considered the information presented, Members noted the update.

Following the update from the Interim Chief Executive and for the reasons given at the meeting Councillor H. David and Councillor G. Kirby resigned their places on the Committee.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be closed at this point in the proceedings so that arrangements could be made to recruit and train replacement Members. It was also moved and seconded that a further meeting would not be scheduled until these arrangements had been made and the outcome of the Magistrates Court Hearing on the 22nd April 2014 was known and by a show of hands this was unanimously agreed.

The meeting closed at 17:35 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.

CHAIRMAN	