



PENSIONS/COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, YSTRAD MYNACH ON TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 2015 AT 9.00AM

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs J. Gale - Chair

Councillors:

W. David, J.E. Fussell, N. George (in place of D.M. Gray), Ms. J.G. Jones, C.P. Mann, S. Morgan

Appropriate Cabinet Member - Councillor D.V. Poole

Together with:

G. Hardacre (Head of People Management and Development), M. Williams (Head of Community and Leisure Services), L. Donovan (HR Service Manager - Customer Services), D. Regan (Lead Officer - Benefits and Finance), H. Morgan (Senior Committee Services Officer).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D.M. Gray.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor W. David declared an interest in the application of MW (as the applicant is know to him) and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

3. APPLICATIONS FOR EARLY RETIREMENT IN COMMUNITY AND LEISURE SERVICES

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 and it was:-

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure to them of exempt information as identified in paragraphs 12 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval for the early access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits for eight cases under the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) for employees within Community and Leisure Services.

Following detailed discussion on each of the applications, and in considering to which voluntary severance will apply, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation within the report be approved. By show of hands (and in noting that Councillor David had declared an interest in the application from MW) this was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the report and outlined at the meeting, the eight requests for the early access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits under the Local Government Pension Scheme, to support Community and Leisure Services in achieving some of its required budgetary savings for 2015/16, be approved.

The meeting closed at 1.05pm