

PENSIONS/COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, PENALLTA HOUSE, ON WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER 2012 AT 9.00 A.M.

Councillors:

W. David, J.E. Fussell, Mrs. J. Gale, Ms. J.G. Jones, C.P. Mann, S. Morgan, D.V. Poole

Appropriate Cabinet Member - Councillor T.J. Williams

Together with:

G. Hardacre (Head of People Management and Development), T. Shaw (Head of Engineering Services), H. Morgan (Senior Committee Services Officer).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R. Woodyatt.

2. CHAIRMAN

It was agreed that Councillor Mrs. Gale be appointed Chairman of the Pensions / Compensation Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

4. APPLICATIONS FOR THE RELEASE OF PENSION BENEFITS UNDER REGULATION 30 (85 YEAR RULE)

Members considered the two public interest test certificates from the Proper Officer and concluded that on balance the public interests 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 circulated with the agenda and an additional report tabled at the meeting which detailed applications for early access to pension benefits under Regulation 30 (85 year rule). It was noted that one of the applicants qualify to apply for early release given their age and continuous service and the second will be 60 on 7th February 2013 but is seeking to retire early on 31st December 2012.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the reports and outlined at the meeting:-

- (i) HB be granted access to their pension benefits by virtue of Regulation 30 (85 year rule) of the Local Government Pension Scheme;
- (ii) LT be granted access to their pension benefits.

The meeting closed at 1.20 p.m.