

PENSIONS/COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, YSTRAD MYNACH ON TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2017 AT 4PM

PRESENT:

Councillor D.W.R. Preece - Chair

Councillors:

Ms J. Gale, B. Miles, Mrs M.E. Sargent, L.G. Whittle and W. Williams

Appropriate Cabinet Members – Councillors C.J. Cuss and S. Morgan

Together with:

D. Street (Corporate Director of Social Services), L. Donovan (Acting Head of HR and Organisational Development), S. Harris (Interim Head of Corporate Finance), M. Lloyd (WHQS and Infrastructure Strategy Manager), S. Watkins (HR Manager), J. Tyler (Administrative Assistant for Committee Services)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W. David and Mrs. B. A. Jones.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. APPLICATIONS FOR EARLY AND FLEXIBLE RETIREMENT BY MUTUAL CONSENT ON GROUNDS OF BUSINESS EFFICIENCY

Members considered the three public interest test certificates 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.

4. TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING GROUP – DIRECTORATE OF COMMUNITIES

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval for early retirement by mutual consent on the grounds of business efficiency giving access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits under the Local Government Pension Scheme for an employee within the Transportation Engineering Group.

Following detailed discussion on the application, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation within the report be approved. By show of hands this was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained within the report, and detailed at the meeting, the request for the early access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits under the Local Government Pension Scheme, to support Transportation Engineering Group to achieve some of its required budgetary savings for 2017/18, be approved.

5. CORPORATE FINANCE – DIRECTORATE OF CORPORATE SERVICES

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval for flexible retirement by mutual consent on the grounds of business efficiency giving access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits under the Local Government Pension Scheme for an employee within Corporate Finance.

Following detailed discussion on the application and having regards to the information presented at the meeting, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation within the report be approved. By show of hands this was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained within the report, and detailed at the meeting, the request for flexible retirement under the Local Government Pension Scheme, be approved.

6. SWIFT CONSORTIUM – DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval for early retirement by mutual consent on the grounds of business efficiency giving access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits under the Local Government Pension Scheme for two employees within the Directorate of Social Services.

Following detailed discussions on the applications, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation within the report be approved. By show of hands this was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained within the report, and detailed at the meeting, the requests for the early access to non-actuarially reduced pension benefits under Local Government Pension Scheme, be approved.

The meeting closed at 4.15pm.