CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Staffing Committee**held on Monday, 8th December, 2008 at Fred Flint Room, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor W Fitzgerald (Chairman) Councillor R Domleo (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors A Arnold, Mrs D Flude, F Keegan, B Moran and D Topping

25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All the Councillors and the Chief Executive declared a personal interest by virtue of knowing the first applicant to be interviewed. The Chief Executive also declared an interest by virtue of knowing one of the other applicants (from her previous Authority). In accordance with the Code of Conduct they remained in the meeting for these interviews.

27 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

28 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED - that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

29 EXTERNAL RECRUITMENT - RELOCATION EXPENSES

Consideration was given to the relocation expenses to be offered to external candidates appointed to jobs with Cheshire East. In considering the proposal it was agreed by the Committee that the recommendation now made should apply to first, second and third tier posts.

RESOLVED

That approval be given for relocation expenses up to a maximum of £10,000 to be offered to candidates appointed to first, second and third tier posts with Cheshire East, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

30 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH SOLICITOR

Members interviewed four short listed candidates.

The Committee agreed to recommend to Council on 9 December that Christopher Chapman be appointed as the Borough Solicitor and Monitoring Officer for Cheshire East Council subject to the requirements contained in Staff Employment Procedure Rule No.6 relating to the Appointment of Head of Paid Service, Statutory Chief Officers, Non-Statutory Chief Officers and Deputy Chief Officers.

The meeting commenced at 9.00 am and concluded at 3.45 pm

Councillor W Fitzgerald (Chairman)