

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appointments Committee**
held on Monday, 24th February, 2025 in the Council Chamber - Town Hall,
Macclesfield, SK10 1EA

PRESENT

Councillor F Wilson (Chair)
Councillor M Gorman (Vice-Chair)

Councillors C Bulman, J Clowes, T Dean, R Fletcher, S Gardiner and
N Mannion

Officers in attendance

Rob Polkinghorne, Chief Executive
Karen Grave, Director of People
Sara Duncalf, Head of HR
Jennie Summers, Acting Head of Legal
Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer
Luke Judd, Starfish Recruitment

66 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor M Simon. Councillor T Dean
attended as a substitute member.

67 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

68 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no public speakers.

69 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Committee considered the report on the recruitment and selection for
the Executive Director Children's Services.

RESOLVED: That the Committee

- 1 note the recruitment and selection process to date, including the
indicative framework for the further assessment and formal
interview arrangements.

- 2 delegate responsibility to finalise the assessment and formal interview agreements to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair of the Appointments Committee.

70 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 as amended on the grounds that it involves the likely discussion of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 and 2 of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing this information.

71 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Committee considered the applications and supporting letters, before agreeing a long list of applicants for the technical assessment stages of the recruitment and selection process for the senior management posts.

72 READMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be re-admitted to the meeting.

73 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

RESOLVED:

That the Committee agree a longlist of 6 candidates for the position of Executive Director Children's Services.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.55 am

Councillor F Wilson (Chair)