

# Appointments Committee

## Agenda

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Monday 15th December 2025</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>The Capesthorpe Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield, SK10 1EA</b>

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The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and in the report.

It should be noted that Part 1 items of Cheshire East Council decision-making meetings are audio recorded and the recordings are uploaded to the Council's website.

### **PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT**

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other registerable interests, and non-registerable interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 3 - 4)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2025.

4. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with the Council's Committee Procedure Rules and Appendix on Public Speaking a total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to put questions to the Committee on any matter relating to this agenda. Each member of the public will be allowed up to two minutes each to speak, and the Chair will have discretion to vary this where they consider it appropriate.

Members of the public wishing to speak are required to provide notice of this at least three clear working days' in advance of the meeting and should include the question with that notice.

5. **Recruitment and Selection for Post of Director of Public Health**

To consider the update report on the recruitment and selection arrangements for the post of Director of Public Health.

*Report to Follow*

6. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

The reports relating to the remaining items on the agenda have been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded.

The Committee may decide that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items 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.

**PART 2 - MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT**

7. **Recruitment and Selection for Post of Director of Public Health**

To select the preferred candidates from the shortlist of applicants for the post of Director of Public Health.

**Membership:** Councillors L Crane, S Gardiner, M Gorman (Vice-Chair), N Mannion, J Saunders, L Wardlaw and F Wilson (Chair)

**CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appointments Committee**  
held on Wednesday, 3rd December, 2025 in the Capesthorpe Room - Town  
Hall, Macclesfield, SK10 1EA

**PRESENT**

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

Councillors M Beanland, L Crane, S Gardiner, N Mannion and J Saunders

Representative for the Secretary of State for Health - Dr Andrew Furber,  
Regional Director of Public Health, North West  
Representative for the Faculty of Public Health - Dr Matt Tryrer, Director of  
Public Health and Chief Medical Officer, Isle of Man

**Officers in attendance**

Helen Charlesworth-May, Executive Director Adults, Health and Integration  
Prof. Rod Thomson, Interim Director of Public Health  
Sara Duncalf, Head of HR  
David Worrall, HR Business Partner  
Louise Price, Principal Lawyer, Litigation  
Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer

**18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor L Wardlaw. Councillor M  
Beanland attended as a substitute.

**19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**20 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

**21 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION FOR POST OF DIRECTOR OF  
PUBLIC HEALTH**

The Committee considered the report on the recruitment and selection for  
the post of Director of Public Health.

**RESOLVED:**

That the update on the recruitment and selection process for the Director  
of Public Health be noted.

**22 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 Paragraphs 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.

**23 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION FOR POST OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

The Committee considered the applications and supporting documents, before agreeing a shortlist of applicants to progress to further assessment and formal interview.

**24 READMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:**

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

**25 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION FOR POST OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Committee agree a shortlist of 4 candidates for the post of Director of Public Health to progress to further assessment and formal interview.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 11.11 am

Councillor F Wilson (Chair)