

MAYORAL COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Mayoral Committee on Thursday, 27 March 2014 in the Bridgewater Room, Municipal Building, Widnes

Present: Councillors Ratcliffe (Chairman), Gilligan, T. McInerney and Wright

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Morley

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers: I Leivesley, A Scott and C Lawley

ITEM DEALT WITH UNDER DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE BOARD

MYR1 MAYOR'S FUND RAISING ACCOUNT

Action

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Director, Policy and Resources, on the recommendations made following a recent audit of the Mayor's Fund Raising Account.

The Committee was advised that the Mayor in office generally established a fund raising team for their term of office, which usually included members of the organisations for which he or she had chosen to support. A Treasurer was appointed to keep records of all income received and to provide a financial update.

It was reported that a recent internal audit of the Mayor's Fund found that the Council's existing arrangements generally operated well. However, three areas were identified where there would be opportunities to strengthen overall governance of the Mayor's Fund. The recommendations were set out in the report for the Committee to consider.

RESOLVED: That

- 1) the report be noted; and
- 2) the Terms of Reference and Financial Procedures, as set out in the report and appendix, be adopted.

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MYR2 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Committee considered:

- (1) whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Committee during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- (2) whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

MYR3 ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR FOR 2014/15

The Committee received a report of the Strategic Director, Policy and Resources, which requested the Committee to make a recommendation to the Full Council with regard to the appointment of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2014/15 municipal year.

As per the Council's Mayoral Selection Guidelines it was recommended that Councillor Shaun Osborne be appointed as Mayor and Councillor Ellen Cargill be appointed as the Deputy Mayor for the 2014/15 municipal year.

RESOLVED: That it be recommended to Council:

- 1) that Councillor Shaun Osborne be appointed as the Mayor for the 2014/15 municipal year; and
- 2) that Councillor Ellen Cargill be appointed as the Deputy Mayor for the 2014/15 municipal year.

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Meeting ended at 10.12am