WESTMORLAND AND FURNESS SHADOW SENIOR APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

<u>Minutes</u> of a Meeting of the <u>Shadow Senior Appointments</u> <u>Committee</u> held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>12 July 2022 at 10.00 am at Council</u> <u>Chamber</u>, <u>County Hall</u>, <u>Kendal</u>

PRESENT:

Cllr D Brook
Cllr J Brook (Chair)
Cllr H Carrick
Cllr V Taylor (Vice-Chair)
Cllr A Thomson
Cllr P Thornton

Officers in attendance:

Mrs J Currie Democratic Services
Ms L Fisher Interim Monitoring Officer

Ms N Houwayek LGR HR Lead

Mr S Lowe GatenbySanderson

PART 1 ITEMS CONSIDERED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

5. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence on this occasion.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

Members noted that Councillor A Thomson had been named as a referee for one of the candidates, and declared this to the meeting. Cllr Thomson offered to decline to be a referee, confirmed that she had no bias or predetermination and in any event was not attending the final interview.

The Interim Monitoring Officer referred to a dispensation for DPIs for members with interests relating to being members of other authorities relevant to items on the agenda and in relation to other registerable interests being a member of an authority relevant to items on the agenda this would be noted. Further all members were requested to consider whether they were pre-determined or biased in any way.

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED, that the press and public be excluded during consideration of Item No 5 – Shortlisting of Appointment of the Chief Executive (Head of Paid Service) by virtue of Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as this report contains exempt information relating to an individual; Paragraph 2 – information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual and Paragraph 3 – information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, (including the authority holding that information).

8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 June be agreed as a true and accurate record.

PART II - ITEMS CONSIDERED NOT IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

9. SHORTLISTING OF APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE (HEAD OF PAID SERVICE)

Members gave detailed consideration to the applications submitted for the role of Chief Executive (Head of Paid Service) for Westmorland and Furness Council, following the longlisting meeting held on 5 July.

RESOLVED, that 3 of the shortlisted candidates be invited to attend for interview on 19 July 2022.

Following this, a discussion took place regarding the details regarding the final interviews. Cllr Thomson left the meeting at this point and it was agreed that officers would take on board comments and suggestions from the committee and circulate the updated information.

It was agreed that the paper on the Monitoring Officer and S151 Officer recruitment would be circulated for consideration at the meeting on the 18 July 2022.