

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 7TH MARCH, 2018

PRESENT: Councillor J Blake in the Chair

Councillors D Blackburn, R Charlwood,
S Golton, K Groves, M Harland, M Iqbal,
G Latty, A Ogilvie, J Pryor and L Yeadon

Apologies Councillors Mrs A Carter, C Dobson,
M Dobson and S Varley

16 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

17 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

18 Late items

There were no late items.

19 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

20 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors James Lewis, Alison Lowe, Amanda Carter, Catherine Dobson, Mark Dobson, and Shirley Varley.

Councillors Kim Groves and Mohammed Iqbal attended the meeting as substitutes for Councillors Lewis and Lowe.

21 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th December 2017 be approved as a correct record.

22 Approval of the 2018/19 Pay Policy Statement

The Chief Officer HR submitted a report seeking Members' views on the Pay Policy Statement 2018/19 and for the Committee to make recommendations to full Council to approve the changes before the start of the 2017/18 financial year.

RESOLVED – To recommend to full Council:-

- Approval of the Pay Policy Statement for the 2018/19 financial year as attached in Appendix A of the submitted report.
- That any in year requirement to amend the Annual Pay Policy Statement as a consequence of changes to Council Policies is undertaken by the Director of Resources and Housing and /or the Chief Officer HR or on advice from the Section 151 Officer and this is reported to the General Purposes Committee who will make recommendations to full Council for approval
- Delegation to the Chief Officer HR of any necessary adjustments to the Council's pay scales arising from nationally agreed pay awards.

23 Joint Review of Polling Districts and Community Governance Review of Parish and Town Councils - Final Proposals Report

The submitted report of the Head of Elections, Licensing and Registration asked Members to consider updated information in relation to the proposed abolition of Ledston Parish Council.

Members were informed that the clerk had provided emails confirming that all outstanding actions set out at 2.2 of the submitted report had now been completed.

Members were advised that the Electoral Working Group were satisfied with the progress made by Ledston Parish Council and recommended that the Parish should remain in place.

RESOLVED – To:-

- Note the information at paragraph 3.1 of the submitted report and;
- Recommend to full Council that the proposal arising from the Community Governance Review to abolish Ledston Parish Council be not progressed.

24 Appointments to the Independent Remuneration Panel

The report of the City Solicitor asked General Purposes Committee to consider the proposed candidates identified by the Member Panel and to make recommendations to full Council concerning appointments to the Independent Remuneration Panel.

RESOLVED – To recommend to full Council that Kevin Emsley, Chris Jelley and Dr Kate Hill be appointed as Members of Leeds City Council Independent Remuneration Panel for a period of 4 years from the commencement of the new municipal year.