

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 2016

PRESENT: Councillor J Lewis in the Chair

Councillors D Blackburn, D Coupar (as substitute for J Blake), S Golton, M Ingham (as substitute for R Charlwood), G Latty, A Lowe, J Pryor, M Rafique, S Varley and L Yeadon

Apologies Councillors J Blake, R Charlwood and J Procter

26 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

27 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

28 Late items

There were no late items submitted for consideration.

29 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

There were no declarations made.

30 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Blake, R Charlwood and J Procter.

Councillor Coupar was in attendance as substitute for Councillor J Blake and Councillor Ingham was in attendance as substitute for Councillor R Charlwood.

31 Minutes - 8th December 2015

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 8th December 2015 be approved as a correct record.

32 Approval of the 2016/17 Pay Policy Statement

The Senior HR Business Partner presented a report of The Chief Officer HR which sought Members' views on the revised Pay Policy Statement and for the Committee to make recommendations to Full Council to approve the changes before the start of the 2016/17 financial Year.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to:

- (a) Recommend to full Council that the review of the Pay Policy Statement for the 2016/17 financial year be adopted;
- (b) Recommend that any in year amendment to the Annual Pay Policy Statement in respect of exit payment caps or as a consequence of changes to Leeds City Council's policy statement on Pension Scheme Discretions is undertaken by the Chief Officer (HR) and reported to the General Purposes Committee; and
- (c) Note the assurances from the Deputy Chief Executive that the senior management pay structure is appropriate and complied with.

33 Extension of Webcasting

The Head of Governance Services presented a report of the City Solicitor which provided an update on the outcome of two trial webcasts in the newly refurbished committee room and sought General Purposes Committee's agreement to extend webcasting to meetings of the Executive Board.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved that:

- (a) Webcasting facilities be extended to the new committee room facility as set out in paragraph 4.4 of the submitted report;
- (b) The Chief Information Technology Officer be requested to ensure that enhanced Internet access is installed into the new committee room;
- (c) Meetings of Executive Board are webcast as soon as is possible and by no later than the meeting of the Board in April 2016; and
- (d) The contract option to extend the existing webcasting services in the Civic Hall be agreed, with that extension being for a further 24 months from 1st September 2016 to 31st August 2018.

34 Date and Time of next meeting

3pm Monday 9th May 2016.