

HUMBERSIDE FIRE AUTHORITY

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

26 JUNE 2017

PRESENT: Councillors Belcher, Briggs, Dad, Green, Fudge and Smith (substitute for Sharpe).

The Deputy Chief Fire Officer/Executive Director Service Delivery, Director of Human Resources, Monitoring Officer/Secretary and Committee Manager were also present.

The meeting was held at Humberside Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Kingston upon Hull. Meeting commenced at 12.10pm.

(The Monitoring Officer/Secretary took the Chair for the following items (Minutes 5523-5524).

5523 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – There were no declarations.

5524 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON OF COMMITTEE – Resolved - That Councillor Briggs be elected Chairperson of this Committee until the Annual General Meeting of the Fire Authority in 2018.

(Councillor Briggs took the Chair).

5525 MINUTES – Resolved – That the minutes of the Committee held on 7 April 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson.

5526 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC - Resolved - That the public be excluded from the meeting for consideration of the following item (Minute 5528) on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 & 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

(In passing this resolution the Committee was satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information).

5527 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER - The Director of Human Resources submitted a report inviting the Committee's views on the arrangements to be adopted for the appointment of a Deputy Chief Fire Officer to replace Mr C Blacksell who had been appointed Chief Fire Officer & Chief Executive with effect from 10 September 2017. The process outlined in the report reflected and developed upon the process adopted for the recent appointment of a Chief Fire Officer. The Deputy Chief Fire Officer/Executive Director Service Delivery advised Members with regard to specific aspects of the appointments process for the post.

Resolved – That the Committee approves the process for the appointment of a Deputy Chief Fire Officer as now agreed and noted by the Director of Human Resources, and that in particular, with regard to the eligibility criteria for the post, the Committee agree:

- (i) that retired Chief Officers or other senior retirees from other public sector organisations shall be excluded from applying, and
- (ii) that it be a requirement that applicants shall have an operational Fire and Rescue Service background having regard to the operational command rota implications.

(Meeting closed at 12.40pm)

