

## OXFORDSHIRE JOINT SHARED SERVICES & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES** of the meeting held on Thursday, 25 March 2021 commencing at 9.00 am and finishing at 9.34 am.

**Present:**

Councillor Ian Corkin – in the Chair

Councillors:

Liz Brighthouse OBE  
Mrs Judith Heathcoat  
Ian Hudspeth

Mike Kerford-Byrnes  
Liz Leffman  
Ian Middleton

Barry Richards  
Barry Wood

Officers: Steve Jorden, Corporate Director, Commercial Development, Assets and Investment; Tim Spiers, Director Digital and ICT; Claire Taylor, Corporate Director Customers, Organisational Development and Resources; Sue Whitehead (Law & Governance)

*The Council considered the matters, reports and recommendations contained or referred to in the agenda for the meeting and decided as set out below. Except insofar as otherwise specified, the reasons for the decisions are contained in the agenda and reports, copies of which are attached to the signed Minutes.*

### **23/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS**

(Agenda Item 1)

Apologies were received from Councillor Ted Fenton (Councillor Judith Heathcoat substituting) and Councillor Sean Woodcock (Councillor Barry Richards substituting).

### **24/21 MINUTES**

(Agenda Item 3)

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 December 2020 were approved as a correct record and signed.

### **25/21 EXEMPT INFORMATION**

(Agenda Item 5)

**RESOLVED:** that the public be excluded for the duration of item JSSPC5 –since it is likely that if they were present during that item there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and specified below in relation to that item and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of

the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

**PROCEEDINGS FOLLOWING THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**26/21 JOINT PROPERTY RESTRUCTURE CONSULTATION**

(Agenda Item 6)

*The information contained in the report is exempt in that it falls within the following prescribed category:*

- 4 Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matters arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or officer-holders under the authority

*It is considered that in this case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, in that such disclosure would distort the proper process of consultation between the authority with another party for the purposes described and would prejudice the position of the authority in holding those consultations and other consultations of a similar nature in future.*

The Committee considered a report that set out a business case for a joint property management team. The Committee agreed that consultation with affected staff begin so as to implement the new structure and deliver the savings required.

..... in the Chair

Date of signing ..... 2021