

## OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the meeting held on Tuesday, 10 July 2018 commencing at 3.30 pm and finishing at 3.55 pm.

**Present:**

Councillor Gill Sanders – in the Chair

Councillors:

Sobia Afridi	Mike Fox-Davies	Jeannette Matelot
Jamila Begum Azad	Stefan Gawrysiak	Charles Mathew
Hannah Banfield	Mark Gray	Zoé Patrick
David Bartholomew	Carmen Griffiths	Glynis Phillips
Dr Suzanne Bartington	Pete Handley	Susanna Pressel
Liz Brighthouse OBE	Jenny Hannaby	Laura Price
Paul Buckley	Neville F. Harris	Eddie Reeves
Kevin Bulmer	Steve Harrod	Judy Roberts
Nick Carter	Mrs Judith Heathcoat	Alison Rooke
Mark Cherry	Hilary Hibbert-Biles	Dan Sames
Dr Simon Clarke	John Howson	John Sanders
Yvonne Constance OBE	Ian Hudspeth	Les Sibley
Ian Corkin	Tony Ilott	Lawrie Stratford
Helen Evans	Bob Johnston	Alan Thompson
Arash Fatemian	Lorraine Lindsay-Gale	Emma Turnbull
Neil Fawcett	Mark Lygo	Michael Waine
Ted Fenton	D. McIlveen	Richard Webber
Mrs Anda Fitzgerald-O'Connor	Kieron Mallon	

*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.*

### **1/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

(Agenda Item 1)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Atkins, Billington, Field-Johnson, Johnson, Leffman, E Smith, R Smith, Reynolds and Walker.

### **2/18 APPOINTMENT OF A JOINT CHIEF EXECUTIVE FOR OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AND CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCIL**

(Agenda Item 4)

The Council had before it a report (CC4) which applied in the event that, earlier on 10 July, Full Council reached a decision to make an appointment to the post of 'Joint Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service', in partnership with Cherwell District Council. Following that decision, Cabinet members had

been consulted during lunchtime about these intentions, in accordance with the Council's Constitutional, and statutory rules.

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The report therefore sets out the decisions that would need to be confirmed if Full Council was minded, in the light of any comments from Cabinet members, to proceed with an appointment and subsequent redundancy. The rationale and context was supplied in the report of the same title on the Full Council agenda, at the meeting held earlier today.

The Leader of the Council, in moving the recommendations confirmed that the Cabinet had all been consulted individually and had agreed to the proposals before the Council today.

The Monitoring Officer confirmed that the statutory duty of the returning Officer set out in the main duties and responsibilities in Annex 1 was indeed an error and that the correct information was contained in paragraph 11 to the report.

**RESOLVED:** (on a motion by Councillor Hudspeth, seconded by Councillor Brighouse and carried by 41 votes to 11):

Having received the views of Cabinet in consequence of Full Council's earlier decisions then, as appropriate to:

- (a) confirm the appointment of Yvonne Rees as Joint Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service of Oxfordshire County Council in accordance with paragraphs 8 and 9; and as a consequence
- (b) confirm the ending of the current Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service role on the grounds of redundancy in accordance with paragraphs 14-15 and Annex 2, and that a Notice of Termination be issued on the 30 September 2018 ending Mr Clark's employment; and
- (c) ask the Director of Human Resources to issue the necessary offer of appointment to Yvonne Rees;
- (d) ask the Monitoring Officer to amend the Constitution to reflect these decisions, as appropriate;
- (e) agree that these decisions are subject to Cherwell District Council confirming its decision to enter into joint working with Oxfordshire County Council, which it is currently scheduled to do on 16 July 2018.

..... in the Chair

Date of signing