



STOCKPORT

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Council Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Stockport on 20 June 2024 at 12.00 pm.

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Suzanne Wyatt) in the chair; Deputy Mayor (); Councillors Shan Alexander, Jake Austin, Joe Barratt, Grace Baynham, Jon Byrne, Christine Carrigan, Asa Caton, Anna Charles-Jones, Angie Clark, Liz Crix, Colin Foster, James Frizzell, Sue Glithero, Graham Greenhalgh, Dominic Hardwick, Helen Hibbert, Keith Holloway, Ian Hunter, Mark Hunter, Dallas Jones, Mark Jones, Colin MacAlister, Jeremy Meal, Micheala Meikle, Wendy Meikle, David Meller, Ian Powney, Mark Roberts, David Sedgwick, John Taylor, Sue Thorpe, Karl Wardlaw, Wendy Wild, David Wilson and Rachel Wise.

1. FORMALITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(i) Mayor's Announcements

With deep regret, the Mayor referred to the recent death of former councillor, Julian Lewis-Booth. It was stated that Mr Lewis-Booth had been elected to the Council in May 2015 in the Hazel Grove ward and served on the Council until May 2019.

The Mayor invited all those present to stand in silence as a mark of respect to the memory of Mr Lewis-Booth.

(ii) Declarations of Interest

Councillors and officers were invited to declare any interests which they had in any of the items on the agenda for the meeting.

No declarations were made.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

The Leader of the Council (Councillor Mark Hunter) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) seeking ratification of the recommendation from the Appointments Committee regarding the appointment of the Chief Executive/ Head of Paid Service in accordance with the requirements of Section 4 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 following the recruitment and selection process undertaken.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to:-

(i) The ratification of the recommendation of the Appointments Committee that Michael Cullen be selected for the position of Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service following the conclusion of the selection process and final interviews on 17 June 2024.

(ii) The post being remunerated in accordance with the Council's Pay Policy Statement as approved by the Council Meeting.

(iii) The delegation of authority to the Director of Strategy and the Head of HR and Organisational Development to finalise the arrangements.

3. APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER, LOCAL RETURNING OFFICER AND ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER

The Leader of the Council (Councillor Mark Hunter) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing proposals for the appointment of Returning Officer for local government elections and Electoral Registration Officer and the appointment of Local Returning Officer for the election of a Combined Authority Mayor.

RESOLVED - (1) That Michael Cullen be appointed as Returning Officer by virtue of section 35 (returning officers: local elections) of the 1983 Act, as modified by Schedule 2.

(2) That Michael Cullen be appointed as Electoral Registration Officer by virtue of Section 8 of The Representation of the People Act 1983.

(3) That Michael Cullen be appointed as Local Returning Officer by virtue of Paragraph 1(5) of Schedule 2 of the Combined Authority (Mayoral Elections) Order 2017.

(4) That the appointment of Vicki Bates as Deputy Electoral Registration Officer by virtue of Section 52(2) of The Representation of the People Act 1983 be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 12.09 pm