

**MINUTES
JOINT CONSULTATIVE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 9 April 2024

Present: Councillor Jim Creamer Councillor Alex Scroggie
Councillor Andrew Ellwood Councillor Ruth Strong
Councillor Catherine Pope Councillor Jane Walker

Unison: Susan Buchanan Alison Hunt

Absent: Councillor Michelle Welsh, Councillor Paul Hughes and Councillor
Ron McCrossen

Officers in Attendance: M Hill, D Archer, B Hopewell and A Snodin

35 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hughes and McCrossen, Councillors Ellwood and Strong attended as substitutes.

36 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 FEBRUARY 2024

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

37 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

38 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT

None.

39 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That, the Members being satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing report on the grounds that the report involves the likely

disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

40 CONSULTATION CLOSURE - RESTRUCTURING PROPOSALS

The Chief Executive introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking approval to close formal consultations on proposals to alter the structure of the organisation and also asked the Committee to make any recommendations for consideration by the Appointments and Conditions of Service Committee which will authorise the implementation of any structural changes and the methods by which these are made.

Members suggested that an induction programme be put into place following the structural change to introduce new senior staff to Councillors.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the report; and
- 2) Recommend to the Appointments and Conditions of Service Committee that an induction programme be put into place following the structural change to introduce new senior staff to Councillors.

The meeting finished at 6.05 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: