



**MINUTES of
APPOINTMENTS BOARD
12 DECEMBER 2025**

PRESENT

Leader of the Council	Councillor R H Siddall
Leader of the Opposition	Councillor S J N Morgan
Chairperson of the Performance, Governance and Audit Committee	Councillor W Stamp
Chairperson of the Strategy and Resources Committee	Councillor J Driver
Councillors	A M Lay and M E Thompson

407. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

RESOLVED that Councillor R H Siddall be appointed as Chairperson for this meeting.

IN THE CHAIR : COUNCILLOR R H SIDDALL

408. CHAIRPERSON'S NOTICES

The Chairperson welcomed everyone in attendance and went through some general housekeeping arrangements for the meeting.

409. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

410. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were none.

411. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, and that this satisfies the public interest test.

412. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 9 :43am for a short break.

413. RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS IN CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED that the meeting of the Appointments Board be resumed at 9:45am in closed session.

414. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES

The Appointments Board considered the report of the Chief Executive together with the job description and curriculum vitae for the candidate shortlisted for interview in respect of the role of Director of Neighbourhood Services and Communities.

The Board then conducted an interview with the shortlisted candidate.

415. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 11:24am for a short break.

416. RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS IN CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED that the meeting of the Appointments Board be resumed at 11:28am in closed session.

417. APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES

Following further discussion, the Board made the following decision.

RESOLVED that Jon Starkey be appointed as the Director of Neighbourhood Services and Communities.

There being no other items of business the Chairperson closed the meeting at 11.51 am.

R H SIDDALL
CHAIRPERSON