



**MINUTES of  
APPOINTMENTS BOARD  
13 MARCH 2026**

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**PRESENT**

Councillors J Driver, A M Lay, S J N Morgan, R H Siddall, W Stamp, CC  
and M E Thompson

**1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

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

IN THE CHAIR : COUNCILLOR R H SIDDALL

**2. CHAIRPERSON'S NOTICES**

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

**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were none.

**4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were none.

**5. 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.

**6. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30am for a short break.

**7. RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS IN CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLVED** that the meeting of the Appointments Board be resumed at 9:43am in closed session.

**8. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND IMPROVEMENT**

The Appointments Board considered the report of the Chief Executive together with associated papers for the candidate shortlisted for interview in respect of the role of Director of Strategy and Improvement.

The Appointments Board then conducted an interview with the shortlisted candidate.

**9. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned at 10:42am for a short break.

**10. RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS IN CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLVED** that the meeting of the Appointments Board be resumed at 10:50am in closed session.

**11. APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND IMPROVEMENT**

Following further discussion, the Board made the following decision.

**RESOLVED** that Leanda Cable be appointed as the Director of Strategy and Improvement.

There being no other items of business the Chairperson closed the meeting at 11.20 am.

R H SIDDALL  
CHAIRPERSON