

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2024 at 2.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Harry Scobie (Chair); Councillors Davis, Dawson, Donaldson, Duckworth, Everitt, Garner, Huxley, Whitehead and Wright

48. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:

Councillor Albon,
Councillor Austin,
Councillor Ovenden.

49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

50. PROPOSED CHANGE TO INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Sonia Godfrey, Head of Human Resources, introduced the report and made the following comments:

- The report was regarding the change in duration of contract for the council's Interim Chief Executive, Colin Carmichael.
- It was recommended that the council extended the appointment of Colin Carmichael as Interim Chief Executive, Head of Paid Service and Returning Officer for a further year, until 31 July 2025.
- The Chief Executive position was included in the approved council staffing establishment and existing approved budgets.
- The council had traditionally appointed the Chief Executive as returning officer which is an independent statutory role.

Members commented that they supported the extension of the Interim Chief Executive's contract.

Councillor Wright proposed, Councillor Everitt seconded and Councillors agreed that:
"The General Purposes Committee is being asked to review and make the following recommendations to Full Council:

1. For Full Council to extend the appointment of Colin Carmichael as Interim Chief Executive, Head of Paid Service and Returning Officer for a further year, until 31 July 2025;
2. To note that the Appointment Panel has the responsibility of determining the timing and process of the appointment of a permanent Chief Executive."

Meeting concluded : 14:34