

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
SPECIAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
HELD ON 14 AUGUST 2018 FROM 6.00 PM TO 6.05 PM**

Committee Members Present

Councillors: John Kaiser (Chairman), Bill Soane (Vice-Chairman), Lindsay Ferris, Charlotte Haitham Taylor, Julian McGhee-Sumner and Stuart Munro

Officers Present

Manjeet Gill (Chief Executive) and Anne Hunter (Democratic and Electoral Services Lead Specialist)

9. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was submitted from Councillor Simon Weeks. Councillor Stuart Munro substituted for Councillor Weeks.

10. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 June 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

11. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no public questions received.

13. MEMBER QUESTION TIME

There were no Member questions received.

14. APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Committee considered the appointment of Jim Leivers to the statutory role of Director of Children's Services on an interim basis following the resignation of Lisa Humphreys who currently undertakes this role. It was noted that Personnel Board was currently in the process of recruiting a permanent Director of Children's Services.

The Chairman advised that the Committee that received copies of Mr Leivers' references and he had personally received a communication from the Chairman of the Personnel Board which supported the appointment.

With regard to a query about whether due diligence had taken place the Leader of Council confirmed that the references would be validated and she had personally spoken to one of the referees who had provided a very positive response.

RESOLVED: That Jim Leivers be appointed to the statutory role of Director of Children's Services on an interim basis from 21 August 2018 until such time as a permanent appointment is made and is able to start with the Council.