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Minutes of the Special Meeting of CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL held at Neuadd y Cyngor, Penmorfa, Aberaeron and remotely via video-conference on Friday, 8th July, 2022

PRESENT: Councillor Ifan Davies (Chair), Councillors Bryan Davies, Catrin M S Davies, Clive Davies, Euros Davies, Gareth Davies, Gethin Davies, Marc Davies, Eryl Evans, Keith Evans, Rhodri Evans, Wyn Evans, Keith Henson, Hugh R M Hughes, Chris James, Ceris Jones, Gareth Lloyd, Caryl Roberts, Wyn Thomas, Matthew Vaux, Alun Williams and Carl Worrall

(2.00pm - 3.05pm)

Procedure

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Ifan Davies welcomed all to the meeting and confirmed that the meeting was being webcasted.

1 Apologies

Councillors Meirion Davies, Rhodri Davies, Amanda Edwards, Endaf Edwards, Elaine Evans, Elizabeth Evans, Paul Hinge, Geraint Hughes, Gwyn James, Sian Maehrlein, John Roberts and Mark Strong for their inability to attend the meeting.

2 Disclosure of personal / prejudicial interests

There were no disclosures of interest.

3 Personal Matters

None.

4 EXEMPT ITEM

The report relating to item 5 on the agenda, Enclosure B is not for publication as it contains exempt information as defined in paragraph 12 and 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007. If, following the application of the Public Interest Test, the Council resolves to consider this item in private, the public and press will be excluded from the meeting during such consideration, in accordance with Section 100B(2) of the Act.

Members were requested, when dealing with the item, to consider whether to exclude the public and press from the Meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** to exclude the public and press during consideration of item 5 below on the basis that the application contained personal information which should not, on balance, be disclosed to the public and press. The Chairman confirmed that the webcasting would be suspended during item 5 below.

5 To interview the candidate(s) as shortlisted for the post of Corporate Lead Officer: Finance and Procurement; and to appoint one person to the post (Enclosures A; and Enclosure B - EXEMPT)

The Council received a presentation and response to set questions from the applicants who had been shortlisted for appointment to the vacant post of

Corporate Lead Officer: Finance and Procurement (which also acts as the Council's Chief Finance Officer and designated Section 151 Officer under Local Government Act 1972). Feedback was also provided by the Chair of the Shortlisting Committee and the Chief Executive.

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED** to offer the post to Mr D Hall.

Consideration was given to the salary that would be offered. It was proposed and seconded that the post be offered on the first incremental point on the Corporate Lead Officer A2 pay scale.

Following a vote, it was **RESOLVED** that the post be offered on a salary of £80,052, the first incremental point on the Corporate Lead Officer A2 pay scale.

Mr D Hall, on being offered the post, accepted the position on a salary of £80,052 which is on the first incremental point of the Corporate Lead Officer A2 pay scale, effective from the 1st September 2022.

The public and press were then invited to enter the meeting.

The Chairman confirmed that Mr D Hall had been offered and accepted the position starting on the first incremental point of at the Corporate Lead Officer A2 pay scale, to commence on 1st September 2022.

Confirmed at the Meeting of the Council held on 15 September 2022

CHAIRMAN: _____