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GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 26 JUNE 2023

Councillors Present: Erik Pattenden (Chairman), Dominic Boeck, Owen Jeffery, David Marsh, Christopher Read and Louise Sturgess

Also Present: Simon Carey (Independent Person), and David Southgate (Parish Council Representative)

Officers Present: Catalin Bogos (Performance Research Consultation Manager), Moira Fraser (Principal Officer, Policy & Governance), Joseph Holmes (Executive Director - Resources), Sadie Owen (Principal Democratic Services Officer) and Lizzie Reeves (Project Manager)

Also in attendance: David Johnson (External Auditor- Grant Thornton)

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting: Councillor Jeremy Cottam and Councillor Iain Cottingham

Councillor Absent: Councillor Howard Woollaston

PART I

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Jeremy Cottam and Iain Cottingham.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

3 Constitutional Amendments Relating to the Joint Public Protection Committee (Urgent Item)

Moira Fraser introduced the report (Agenda Item 3), which proposed amendment to the membership of the Joint Public Protection Committee (JPPC) to include three Members from each authority. Moira Fraser thanked the Chairman for taking the item as an urgent item, and extended apologies from Sean Murphy.

Councillor Erik Pattenden noted that the recommendation was relatively minor amendment to the constitution and that it had been reviewed by Sarah Clarke and Nicola Thomas.

Councillor Boeck had arrived late to the meeting and it was clarified that he would not be able to vote on the item.

It was further clarified that Councillor David Marsh who was in attendance via Zoom would also be unable to vote on the item.

Councillor Pattenden proposed, and Councillor Owen Jeffery seconded the report and referred it to Council for approval.

RESOLVED that: Governance Committee considered the report and recommended that Council:

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- Approves the amendments to Part 6.5 (Appendix Joint Public Protection Committee) of the Constitution to reflect the revised membership of the Committee as set out in paragraph 4.7 and paragraph 4.8.
- Approves the amendments to Part 3.1 (JPPC) of the Constitution as set out in paragraph 4.6.
- Appoints a Member to the JPPC, which will be effective from the date that the amendments to the Inter Authority Agreement is completed by both authorities.
- Delegates authority to the Service Lead for Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with the Service Lead for Public Protection to amend the Inter Authority Agreement to reflect the amended Membership of the JPPC.
- Delegates authority to the Monitoring Officer to make any additional minor amendments to the Constitution arising from this decision.

(The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm and closed at 6.09 pm)

CHAIRMAN

Date of Signature