Minutes of: EMPLOYMENT PANEL

Date of Meeting: 16 November 2023

Present: Councillor T Rafiq (in the Chair)

Councillors R Bernstein, J Grimshaw, D Berry, C Cummins,

E Moss, T Tariq, M Walsh and L Dean

Also in attendance: Lynne Ridsdale, Chief Executive

Jacqui Dennis, Council Solicitor Simon Bagley, Head of HR

Julie Gallagher, Head of Democratic Services

Public Attendance: No members of the public were present at the meeting.

Apologies for Absence:

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence are noted above.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

4 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

5 SENIOR LEADERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS

The Employment Panel:

- 1. Agrees the termination of the Council's joint financial leadership arrangements with NHS Greater Manchester and the disestablishment of the post of Joint Executive Director of Finance, Chief Officer Band H (£127,377 £139,067).
- 2. Proposes for the agreement of Council the establishment of a new role of Executive Director (Finance) evaluated at Chief Officer Band H (£127,377 £139,067) and that this post be designated as the Council's statutory Section 151 Officer
- 3. In the context of the immediate need for stable financial leadership agree that:
- a. Standing orders section 4.8.2 ii B & C of the Council's Officer Employment Procedure Rules be suspended.
- b. The identified candidate is assessed by the Employment Panel for the role of Executive Director (Finance) and that, subject to this assessment, Council be asked to confirm their appointment on a part time consultancy basis for an initial period of six months with the ability to agree a further six month

extension delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corp orate Affairs & HR and Cabinet Member for Finance and Communities.

- 4. Agree the deletion of the role of Director of Housing Chief Officer Band F (£103,767 £112,636).
- 5. Propose that Council agree the establishment of the post of Director of Housing Ope rations evaluated at Chief Officer Band F (£103,767 £112,636).

COUNCILLOR T RAFIQ Chair

(Note: The meeting started at 7pm and ended at 7.45pm)