

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 15th JANUARY, 2003

PRESENT:- Councillor Kevin Small in the Chair; Councillors Mike Bawden, David Cox, Ian Dobie and Mike Every.

Councillor Barrie Thompson attended the meeting in respect of Minute 61.

Chair -
Councillor KEVIN SMALL

Vice-Chair –
Councillor DAVID COX

MINUTES FOR REPORT

57. Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting.

58. Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 4th November, 2002, be confirmed and signed.

59. Section 100A(4), Local Government Act 1972

That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred to in Item 6 of the Notice of the Meeting on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act. (Minute 61 refers)

60. Public Question Time

No questions were asked in accordance with Standing Order 28.

61. Senior Management Staffing Issues

The Acting Chief Executive submitted a report dated 13th January, 2003, concerning authorisations required in relation to the appointment of the Chief Executive and other issues related to the senior management of the Council.

Resolved – (1) That, subject to the deletion of the word “circa” in section “1.” of the Appendix, the post of Chief Executive be advertised on the terms and conditions set out in Appendix 1 to the report of the Acting Chief Executive dated 13th January, 2003.

(2) That the Borough Solicitor continue as Returning Officer pending a review of the roles, responsibilities and accountabilities required under the Council's Improvement Plan and any review to be undertaken by the new Chief Executive when in post.

(3) That the Acting Chief Executive and Head of Core Personnel be authorised, in consultation with the political group leaders on the Council, to determine the terms and

conditions for senior management posts in Social Services, with reference to the terms and conditions applied to Education posts.

(4) That the Borough Solicitor's existing terms and conditions be maintained until 31st December, 2003, pending the review referred to in (2) above, and any possible review of management structure undertaken on the arrival of the Council's new Chief Executive.

(Councillor Kevin Small requested that his vote against the decision in (2) above be recorded.)