

**APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE**  
**23/07/2024 at 9.30 am**



**Present:** Councillor Shah (Chair)  
Councillors Dean, Ghafoor, Harrison, Navesey, Sheldon and Sykes

Also in Attendance:

1           **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hince, Jabbar and Taylor, Councillors Navesey, Dean and Harrison attended as their respective substitutes.

2           **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3           **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4           **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following two items of business on the grounds that they contain exempt information under paragraphs 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

5           **ORGANISATIONAL FRAMEWORK - UPDATE**

The Chief Executive presented members with a confidential report updating them on various structural changes and which, subject to agreement, would be referred to the Council meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024, as part of the Constitution Update report.

**RESOLVED**

1. Members noted and confirmed retirement dates of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 for Director of Children's Services (DCS) and Monitoring Officer.
2. Members noted that Alex Bougatef would fulfil the role of Monitoring Officer/Borough Solicitor in an acting up capacity pending review of the structure.
3. Members noted the arrangements for recruiting to a DCS and agreed a ring fenced interview for Julie Daniels to be held later in the meeting.
4. Members noted the changes linked to the NHS ICB place lead role which would now become part of the Local Authority Chief Executive role and the previous post holder would become Deputy Place Lead and Deputy Chief Executive Health and Care Integration.

6           **INTERVIEWS FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (DCS)**

Members interviewed Julie Daniels for the role of statutory Director of Children's Services (DCS). The Appointments Committee had received external feedback from the Young People's Assessment Panel which was outstanding.



#### RESOLVED

1. That the Appointments Committee unanimously agree to appoint Julie Daniels to be the Authority's statutory DCS, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024, noting the previous post holder's retirement on 30<sup>th</sup> September.

In considering the appointment, the Chief Executive thanked the Committee for their support and commented on the success of the Council's growing your own succession planning policy. Julie had contributed significantly through the Ofsted inspection and was already operating at DCS level and will no doubt make an excellent chief officer for Oldham Council.

The meeting started at Time Not Specified and ended at Time Not Specified

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