

**Present:** The Mayor – Councillor Chauhan (in the Chair)

Councillors Akhtar, Al-Hamdani, M Ali, Z Ali, Aslam, Ball, Bashforth, Bishop, Brownridge, Byrne, Charters, Chowhan, Cosgrove, Davis, Dean, Goodwin, Hamblett, Harkness, Harrison, Hince, Hindle, Hobin, Hughes, Hurley, A Hussain, F Hussain, J. Hussain, S. Hussain, Iqbal, Islam, Jabbar, Lancaster, Malik, Marland, McLaren, Moores, Mushtaq, Nasheen, Navesey, Quigg, Rustidge, Shah, Sharp, Shuttleworth, Sykes, Taylor, Wahid, Wilkinson and Woodvine

**1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Adams, Arnott, Azad, Ghafoor, Ibrahim, Kouser and Sheldon.

**2 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY MATTER TO BE DETERMINED AT THE MEETING**

There were no declarations of interests.

**3 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND HEAD OF PAID SERVICE**

Councillor Shah MOVED, Councillor Sykes SECONDED and Councillors Byrne and Wahid SUPPORTED the recommendations of a report of the Assistant Director for Strategy and Transformation, which sought to appoint a Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service and to designate the role of the Section 151 Officer.

The Appointments Committee met on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025 and that Committee had unanimously resolved to recommend appointing Shelley Kipling as the permanent Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025 and to note that Fiona Greenway had been appointed as the authority's Interim Section 151 Officer/Director of Finance for a six-month period.

A recorded vote, in line with the Regulations was then taken on the RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE SUBMITTED REPORT (to appoint Shelley Kipling as Chief Executive and head of Paid Service) as follows:

COUNCILLOR		COUNCILLOR	
Adams Christine	APOLOGIES	Hussain Junaid	FOR
Akhtar Shoab	FOR	Hussain Sajed	FOR
Al-Hamdani Sam	FOR	Ibrahim Nyla	APOLOGIES
Ali Mohon	FOR	Iqbal Nadeem	FOR
Ali Zaheer	FOR	Islam Mohammed	FOR

		Nazrul	
Arnott Dave	APOLOGIES	Jabbar Abdul	FOR
Aslam Naseem	FOR	Kenyon Mark	ABSENT
Azad Montaz Ali	APOLOGIES	Kouser Aisha	APOLOGIES
Ball Sandra	AGAINST	Lancaster Luke	FOR
Bishop Helen	FOR	Malik Abdul	FOR
Bashforth Marie	FOR	Marland Alicia	FOR
Brownridge Barbara	FOR	McLaren Colin	FOR
Byrne Pam	FOR	Moore's Eddie (Deputy Mayor)	FOR
Charters Josh	FOR	Murphy Dave	ABSENT
Cosgrove Angela	FOR	Mushtaq Shaid	FOR
Chowhan Naveed	FOR	Nasheen Umar	FOR
Davis Peter	FOR	Navesey Lisa	FOR
Dean Peter	FOR	Quigg Lewis	AGAINST
Ghafoor Kamran	APOLOGIES	Rustidge Ken	FOR
Goodwin Chris	FOR	Shah Arooj	FOR
Hamblett Louie	FOR	Sharp Beth	FOR
Harkness Garth	FOR	Sheldon Graham	APOLOGIES
Harrison Holly	FOR	Shuttleworth Graham	FOR
Hince Marc	FOR	Sykes Howard	FOR
Hindle Neil	FOR	Taylor Elaine	FOR
Hobin Brian	FOR	Wahid Abdul	FOR
Hughes Jade	AGAINST	Wilkinson Mark	AGAINST
Hurley Maggie	AGAINST	Williamson Diane	ABSENT
Hussain Aftab	FOR	Woodvine Max	FOR
Hussain Fida	FOR	Chauhan Zahid (MAYOR)	FOR

On a recorded VOTE being taken 45 VOTES were cast in FAVOUR of the RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE SUBMITTED REPORT with 5 VOTES cast AGAINST and there were 0 ABSTENTIONS. The RECOMMENDATIONS were therefore CARRIED.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That Shelley Kipling be appointed as the permanent Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025.
2. That Shelley Kipling be appointed as the Place Lead, following a joint appointment with the Integrated Care Partnership Chief Executive, who was in attendance for

the final interview, at the Appointments Committee meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

3. That Shelley Kipling be appointed as Electoral Registration Officer for a constituency or part of a constituency coterminous with or contained in Oldham Metropolitan Borough under section 8 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 and Returning Officer for Local Elections and Parish Council Elections, Acting Returning Officer for Parliamentary elections and local Returning Officer for Greater Manchester Combined Authority Mayoral elections and other elections or referenda.
4. That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with Appointments Committee to:
  - a. Amend the secondment agreement with Tameside Council while Tameside Council undertake their own permanent recruitment.
  - b. Undertake a review of the secondment arrangement by the end of May (within the six months agreed by previous Council meeting October 2024).
  - c. Make changes to any arrangements relating to Harry Catherall and his employment with the council.

A recorded vote, in line with the Regulations was then taken on the RECOMMENDATION IN THE SUBMITTED REPORT (Designation of the Section 151 Officer) as follows:

COUNCILLOR		COUNCILLOR	
Adams Christine	APOLOGIES	Hussain Junaid	FOR
Akhtar Shoab	ABSTAINED	Hussain Sajed	FOR
Al-Hamdani Sam	FOR	Ibrahim Nyla	APOLOGIES
Ali Mohon	FOR	Iqbal Nadeem	FOR
Ali Zaheer	ABSTAINED	Islam Mohammed Nazrul	FOR
Arnott Dave	APOLOGIES	Jabbar Abdul	FOR
Aslam Naseem	FOR	Kenyon Mark	ABSENT
Azad Montaz Ali	APOLOGIES	Kouser Aisha	APOLOGIES
Ball Sandra	AGAINST	Lancaster Luke	AGAINST
Bishop Helen	FOR	Malik Abdul	FOR
Bashforth Marie	FOR	Marland Alicia	FOR
Brownridge Barbara	FOR	McLaren Colin	FOR
Byrne Pam	AGAINST	Moore's Eddie (Deputy Mayor)	FOR
Charters Josh	FOR	Murphy Dave	ABSENT
Cosgrove Angela	FOR	Mushtaq Shaid	FOR
Chowhan	ABSTAINED	Nasheen Umar	FOR

Naveed			
Davis Peter	FOR	Navesey Lisa	FOR
Dean Peter	FOR	Quigg Lewis	AGAINST
Ghafoor Kamran	APOLOGIES	Rustidge Ken	FOR
Goodwin Chris	FOR	Shah Arooj	FOR
Hamblett Louie	FOR	Sharp Beth	AGAINST
Harkness Garth	FOR	Sheldon Graham	APOLOGIES
Harrison Holly	FOR	Shuttleworth Graham	FOR
Hince Marc	FOR	Sykes Howard	FOR
Hindle Neil	FOR	Taylor Elaine	FOR
Hobin Brian	FOR	Wahid Abdul	ABSTAINED
Hughes Jade	AGAINST	Wilkinson Mark	AGAINST
Hurley Maggie	AGAINST	Williamson Diane	ABSENT
Hussain Aftab	FOR	Woodvine Max	AGAINST
Hussain Fida	FOR	Chauhan Zahid (MAYOR)	FOR

On a recorded VOTE being taken 37 VOTES were cast in FAVOUR of the RECOMMENDATION IN THE SUBMITTED REPORT with 9 VOTES cast AGAINST and there were 4 ABSTENTIONS. The RECOMMENDATION was therefore CARRIED.

**RESOLVED:**

That Council notes the designation of Fiona Greenway, Interim Director of Finance, as Section 151 Officer, while recruitment is undertaken for a permanent replacement.

The meeting started at 5.30pm and ended at 5.56pm