

County Council Meeting – 21 May 2019

REPORT OF THE PEOPLE, PERFORMANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- * Mr Tim Oliver (Chairman)
- * Mr Colin Kemp (Vice-Chairman)
- * Mr Mel Few
- * Mr Ken Gulati
- * Mrs Fiona White
- * Mr Eber Kington

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APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES/SECTION 151 OFFICER

1. The People, Performance and Development Committee met on 8 May 2019 to conduct final interviews for the role of Executive Director of Resources/Section 151 Officer at Surrey County Council. One candidate was put forward to the Committee for final interview following a robust initial selection process, where all candidates were assessed by a panel which included independent external representation.
2. Following an in depth discussion of the candidate's merits, the Committee has selected Leigh Whitehouse as the person it is recommending that the County Council appoints to the role of Executive Director of Resources/Section 151 Officer.
3. Leigh is currently the council's Interim Executive Director of Resources/Section 151 Officer and previously held roles as Interim Director of Finance and Corporate Services at the London Borough of Bexley and Director of Finance/Section 151 Officer at the Royal Borough of Kingston Upon Thames.
4. The Officer Employment Procedure Rules requires every Cabinet Member to be notified of the proposed appointment and of their right of objection within the period specified in the notification, no objections were received from Cabinet Members.
5. The People, Performance and Development Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the Council appoints Leigh Whitehouse as Executive Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer of Surrey County Council.

Tim Oliver
Chairman of the People, Performance and Development Committee
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