# Minutes of a Meeting of the Joint Staff Committee of Adur District and Worthing Borough Councils

### Gordon Room, Town Hall, Worthing

#### 6 June 2013

Adur District Council:
\*Councillor Julie Searle
Councillor Janet Mockridge
Councillor Richard Burt

Worthing Borough Council:
Councillor Michael Cloake
\*Councillor Val Turner
\*Councillor Keith Sunderland

#### Absent\*

Councillor Brian Boggis was also present as substitute for Councillor Julie Searle. Councillor Mary Lermitte was also present as substitute for Councillor Val Turner. Councillor Alan Rice was also present as substitute for Councillor Keith Sunderland.

### JStC/001/13-14 Appointment of Chairman

Resolved that Councillor Michael Cloake be appointed Chairman of the meeting.

#### JStC/002/13-14 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Alan Rice declared that the appellant lived in his Ward.

Councillor Michael Cloake declared that he was a member of West Sussex County Council.

### JStC/003/13-14 Public Question Time

There were no public questions.

### JStC/004/13-14 Items Raised under Urgency Provisions

None.

### JStC/005/13-14 Procedure for Meeting

**Resolved** that the procedure for the meeting as set out in agenda item 5, be agreed.

### JStC/006/13-14 Exclusion of the Press and Public

**Resolved** that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act indicated against the item.

## JStC/007/13-14 Appeal Against Dismissal

The Chairman introduced himself and requested that all those present do the same.

Before the Committee was a report by the Executive Head of Customer Services, copies of which had been previously circulated as Item 7.

The respondent put forward the background to the Council's case before answering questions from the appellant and the Committee.

The appellant outlined their grounds for appeal before answering questions from the respondent and the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26am and reconvened at 11:36am.

The respondent provided a summary of their case.

The appellant provided a summary of their grounds for appeal.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:54pm with the officers and appellant being asked to leave the room to allow the Committee to deliberate over the evidence put before it. The meeting reconvened at 12:48pm.

The Chairman thanked all parties for their attendance and it was,

#### Resolved:

The Joint Staff Committee:-

- i) upheld the decision of the Executive Head of Service and dismissed the appeal;
- ii) agreed that the decision be confirmed in writing within five working days.

The meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 12:50pm.

### Chairman