

**Extract from the Joint Governance Committee - 22 September 2020**

**JGC/038/20-21 Recruitment and Appointment of Independent Persons**

**Summary of discussion**

The Committee was recommended to consider the Council's recruitment and appointment of Independent Persons.

The Chairman thanked Mr Simon Norris-Jones for his work, on behalf of the Joint Governance Committee.

The Committee sought clarification regarding the appointment process for Independent Persons. The Monitoring Officer set out the process adopted and advised that Human Resources were consulted to ensure that Equalities and Diversity issues were encompassed. It was also noted that statutory guidelines outlined certain people that could not be appointed as Independent Persons.

The recommendations in the report were proposed by Councillor Steve Waight, seconded by Councillor Roy Barraclough and supported by the Committee.

**Decision,**

The Joint Governance Committee

1. noted the updated position in respect of the forthcoming recruitment process for additional Independent Persons;
2. **recommended to Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council that the appointment of Mr Simon Norris-Jones as an Independent Person be extended for a further term of 4 years.**