

COUNTY COUNCIL: MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, 1st April 2003

Time: 10.00 a.m. – 10.20 a.m.

Place: Shire Hall, Cambridge

Present: Councillor: P W Silby (Chairman)

Councillors: C M Ballard, P J Downes, M Farrar, J L Gluza, S F Johnstone, M L Leeke, V H Lucas, L W McGuire, A K Melton, S B Normington, L J Oliver, D R Pegram, J A Powley, P A E Read, J E Reynolds, J M Tuck and J K Walters

Apologies: Councillors: P D Bailey, R S G Barnwell, I C Bates, T J Bear, B S Bhalla, A J Bowen, S V Brinton, J Broadway, C M Carter, M Y Chapple, R L Clarke, J E Coston, R Driver, J A P Eddy, H J Fitch, S A Giles, P D Gooden, A Hansard, B Hardy, G F Harper, V A Hearne-Casapieri, G J Heathcock, W G M Hensley, J L Huppert, J D Jones, A C Kent, I C Kidman, S J Kime, S J E King, A R Mair, R B Martlew, M K Ogden, A G Orgee, C E Shaw, R C Speechley, A B Stenner, P L Stroude, R Wilkinson, L J Wilson and F H Yeulett

125. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE: REPORT OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING ON 26th MARCH 2003

It was moved by the Chairman of the Appointments Committee, Councillor J E Reynolds, and seconded by Councillor J A Powley that the report of the meeting of the Appointments Committee held on 26th March 2003 be received and the recommendation adopted.

Councillor J E Reynolds thanked all those members and officers who had been involved in the rigorous recruitment and selection process.

It was then proposed by Councillor J K Walters, seconded by Councillor V H Lucas and resolved:

That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 [information relating to an employee, former employee, or applicant to become an employee of or a particular office holder of the Authority].

Members discussed the package being offered to the successful candidate and the reasons for the increase in salary over that initially advertised.

Councillor J E Reynolds and other members of the Appointments Committee reported that they had agreed unanimously that Ian Stewart was an exceptional candidate and that the increase in salary over that initially advertised was therefore justified.

Councillor M Farrar asked that members be given information about Ian Stewart's previous experience and positions held. Councillor J E Reynolds agreed to consult with officers and make appropriate information available to all members of the Council.

The meeting was then re-opened to the public and it was resolved:

To appoint Ian Stewart as Chief Executive, on a date to be determined and on terms approved by the Appointments Committee.

[Voting: sixteen members in favour, none against, one abstention.]

Chairman