

HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 16th April 2019 (7.00 pm) at the Arncliffe Centre, Arncliffe Road, Halewood, the following Members were:-

PRESENT
COUNCILLORS
N Hogg
(Chairperson)

Cllr K Dalton
Cllr Miss C Rose
Cllr Mrs A Farrell
Cllr K Dalton

Cllr B Swann
Cllr Mrs. B Dunn
Cllr I S Hamilton

Also in attendance:-

G MacKenzie, Town Manager
Paula Campbell, KMBC HR Officer
Karen Newton, Senior Admin. (designate)

155. APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received and accepted from Cllr. S Ball, Cllr. D Perry, Cllr D Samuels and Cllr E Finneran.

156. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

EXEMPT ITEM

RESOLVED:- That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

157. TOWN MANAGER

Paula Campbell, KMBC HR Officer advised Members of the process followed which culminated in four shortlisted candidates being interviewed for the post of Town Manager. Commenting that the process had been thoroughly professional, fair and transparent she reported that it was the unanimous recommendation of the Appointments Panel that Mr Gerard (Gerry) Allen be appointed Town Manager with effect from 1st June 2019.

All three members of the appointments Panel, Cllrs Hogg, (Chair of the Panel), Hamilton and Swann spoke in support of the recommendation commenting on the high calibre of all four shortlisted candidates but that in their unanimous view, Mr Gerard Allen was the best candidate for the post.

It was moved by Cllr. I S Hamilton and seconded by Cllr. R Swann, and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:- That Mr Gerard Allen be appointed Town Manager w.e.f. 1st June 2019.

158 STANDING ORDERS, FINANCIAL REGULATIONS, MAMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT 2019

The Town Manager presented a report which sought Members consideration and comments on draft Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Members' Code of Conduct for 2019, previously distributed.

The draft of each document closely followed those adopted for 2018 and in consideration of comments received from the office of the Monitoring Officer, as outlined in the Town Manager’s report, further work on Members’ Code of Conduct is likely to be required as a result of the expected legislative implementation of the Government’s recent review into Ethical Standards.

It was moved by Cllr. I S Hamilton and seconded by Cllr. Mrs A Farrell and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:-

- (a) That the Town Managers report be noted.
- (b) That the draft Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Members’ Code of Conduct 2019 as distributed be endorsed and submitted to the forthcoming Annual Meeting of the Town Council for adoption.
- (c) That the recommendation in para 3.5. of the report be approved, that all decisions are taken by the full Council.

Meeting closed at 7.30p.m.

Signed

Date