

## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

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### MEMBER APPOINTMENT PANEL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Member Appointment Panel held in the Cabinet Room - Sessions House on Thursday, 23 March 2017.

PRESENT: Mr P B Carter, CBE (Chairman), Mr L Burgess, Mr R H Bird, Mrs M E Crabtree, Ms A Harrison, Mr E E C Hotson, Mr P J Oakford and Mr J D Simmonds, MBE

ALSO PRESENT:

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs A Beer (Corporate Director Engagement, Organisation Design & Development), Mr P D Wickenden (Democratic Services Manager (Members)) and Mr D Cockburn (Corporate Director Strategic & Corporate Services)

### UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

#### 15. Membership of the Panel

The Chairman informed the Panel that Mrs Crabtree had also been afforded a place on the Panel. He had also spoken to Mr Latchford to offer the UKIP Group an additional place in accordance with the proportionality rules applying to Committees. Mr Latchford had agreed that he was perfectly happy for Mr Burgess to be the sole representative on the Panel for the UKIP Group.

#### 16. Minutes

*(Item A3)*

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes as a correct record once they have been prepared after the meeting.

#### 17. Motion to exclude the Press and Public

*(Item A4)*

RESOLVED that under Section 100A 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 as defined in paragraph 1 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

#### 18. Interviews for Strategic Commissioner

*(Item A5)*

(1) Members of the Panel had before them the application forms and supporting information on the candidates who had been called for interview for the post of Strategic Commissioner.

(2) Following the interviews the Panel discussed the views received from the Stakeholder Panel and the performance and merits of each of the candidates.

(3) The Panel came to the following unanimous decision.

(4) RESOLVED that Vincent Godfrey be appointed to the post of Strategic Commissioner.