

## **Report of the Monitoring Officer**

# Swansea Bay City Region Joint Appointments Committee – 6 December 2019

# Joint Appointments Committee - Terms of Reference

**Purpose:** To approve the Terms of Reference of the Joint

Appointments Committee.

Policy Framework: None.

**Consultation:** Finance, Legal.

**Recommendation(s):** It is recommended that:

1) The Joint Appointments Committee Terms of Reference at Appendix

1 be approved.

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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee created the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Appointments Committee in order to carry out a process to appoint a Programme Director. A report setting up the Joint Appointment Committee was taken to each constituent Council.
- 1.2 The Joint Appointments Committee is made up of 8 Councillors (4 Council Leaders and 4 others non-executive Councillors appointed by constituent Councils).

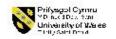
















1.3 The appointment process for the Programme Director post will take place on 6 & 7 December 2019. Therefore there is a need for the Committee to approve terms of reference which are attached at Appendix 1.

# 2. Independent Programme Director

2.1 The independent Programme Director shall report to and be directly accountable to the Joint Committee although will be an employee of Carmarthenshire County Council.

### 3. Equality and Engagement Implications

- 3.1 The Council is subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty (Wales) and must, in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:
  - Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

Our Equality Impact Assessment process ensures that we have paid due regard to the above.

3.2 An EIA Screening Form has been completed with the agreed outcome that a full EIA report is not required.

# 4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

#### 5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 Local Authorities have powers under the Local Government Acts 1972 and 2000 to establish Joint Committees.
- 5.2 The process for appointing non-statutory chief officers is subject to the provisions in The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (Wales) Regulations 2006 which provides that no more than 50% of the membership of an Appointments Committee shall comprise of executive members. In order to allow all 4 Leaders to sit on the Joint Appointments Committee the Committee must therefore comprise of at least 8 members.

Background Papers: None.

**Appendices:** Appendix 1 – Terms of Reference