City and County of Swansea



Minutes of the Council

Multi-Location Meeting - Council Chamber, Guildhall / MS Teams

Thursday, 30 March 2023 at 3.30 pm

Councillor(s)

M H Jones

M Jones

E J King

H Lawson

A S Lewis

M B Lewis

W G Lewis

P M Matthews

B J Rowlands

A H Stevens

R C Stewart

W G Thomas

G D Walker

C L Philpott

S Pritchard

R V Smith

P Lloyd

Present:	Councillor J	P Curtice	(Chair)	Presided
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Councillor(s) C Anderson P M Black P Downing C R Dovle M Durke **R** Francis-Davies L S Gibbard J A Hale T J Hennegan C A Holley P R Hood-Williams D H Hopkins L James O G James Y V Jardine J W Jones L R Jones

Officer(s)

Gareth Borsden **Democratic Services Officer** Adrian Chard Strategic Human Resources Organisational and **Development Manager** Huw Evans Head of Democratic Services Chief Legal Officer / Monitoring Officer Tracey Meredith Martin Nicholls Chief Executive Mark Wade **Director of Place**

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): P N Bentu, A M Day, V M Evans, C R Evans, E W Fitzgerald, K M Griffiths, B Hopkins, S M Jones, N L Matthews, D Phillips, J E Pritchard and L G Thomas

139. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea no interests were declared.

Councillor(s) L V Walton T M White R Fogarty S Bennett A Davis C M J Evans H J Gwilliam V A Holland D H Jenkins S E Keeton M W Locke J D McGettrick F D O'Brien A J O'Connor M S Tribe **R A Williams**

140. Exclusion of the Public.

Council were requested to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the item(s) of business identified in the recommendations to the report(s) on the grounds that it / they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 relevant to the items of business set out in the report(s).

Council considered the Public Interest Test in deciding whether to exclude the public from the meeting for the item of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant as set out in the report.

Resolved that the public be excluded for the following item(s) of business.

(Closed Session)

141. Confirmation of Appointment for the Post of Director of Place.

The Presiding Member stated that only one candidate had been recommended to Council by the Appointments Committee for the post of Director of Place.

She proposed that Council Procedure Rule 44 "Suspension of Procedure Rules" be enacted to dispense with the requirement:

1) That the Candidate be interviewed by Council.

2) That Council holds a written ballot.

Resolved that:

1) Council Procedure Rule 44 "Suspension of Procedure Rules" be enacted to dispense with the requirement:

i) That the Candidate be interviewed by Council.

ii) That Council holds a written ballot.

The Chief Executive, Martin Nicholls then provided feedback from the appointments process relating to the appointment of a Director of Place and the Candidate gave a presentation to Council.

Resolved that:

2) The verbal update on the assessment process be noted.

3) Mark Wade be appointed as Director of Place.

Note: Following this decision, Mark Wade was invited into the Meeting and offered the post.

Mark Wade accepted the post.

The meeting ended at 3.47 pm