

## **PRINCIPAL OFFICER APPOINTMENTS PANEL**

**Minutes of the meeting of the PRINCIPAL OFFICER APPOINTMENTS PANEL held at Easr Sussex National, Little Horsted, Uckfield, East Sussex, TN22 5ES from 9.00 am on Monday, 4 October 2021 until Tuesday, 5 October 2021.**

Present: Councillors Galley (Chairman), Evans, Lambert and Powell

Also present: D Whittaker (Chief Fire Officer & Chief Executive), L Woodley (Deputy Mnitoring Officer), A Blanshard (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

### **24 Declarations of Interest**

There were none

### **25 Apologies for Absence**

There were none

### **26 Notification of items which the Chairman considers to be urgent and proposes to take at the end of the agenda/ Chairman's business**

There were none

### **27 Exclusion of Press & Public**

**RESOLVED:** That agenda item no. 28 be exempt under paragraph 1 of Part 1 Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 and accordingly are not open for public inspection on the following grounds: they contain information relating to any individual.

### **28 Panel Interviews and appointment to the post of Deputy Chief Fire Officer**

There were six candidates shortlisted for the post of Deputy Chief Fire Officer. The Principal Officer Appointments Panel interviewed each Candidate, receiving a presentation, followed up by questions from the Panel. The Panel considered the results of the other assessments undertaken, including a Stakeholder Panel interview with key partners, staff forum, command assessment and motivational assessment.

**RESOLVED –** The Principal Officer Appointments Panel agreed:

- i. That the first choice candidate be offered appointment to the post of Deputy Chief Fire Officer, subject to satisfactory references and other pre-employment checks being obtained.
- ii. That the appointment decisions be made public on completion of the necessary pre-employment checks; and

**Unconfirmed minutes – to be confirmed at the next meeting of the Principal Officer Appointments Panel**

- iii. That, in the event that the preferred candidate be unable to take up to post an employment offer be made to the second-choice candidate.

The meeting concluded at 3.55 pm

Signed

Chairman

Dated this

day of

2021