

**SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
EMPLOYMENT ISSUES PANEL**

Conference Room 2,
Council Offices,
Spennymoor

Monday,
9 March 2009

Time: 11.30 a.m.

Present: Councillor A. Hodgson (Chairman) and
Councillors A. Gray, G.C. Gray, B. Haigh, D.M. Hancock and A. Smith

Apologies: Councillors Mrs. E. Maddison

EIP.21/08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
No declarations of interest were received.

EIP.22/08 MINUTES
The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th February 2009 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Section 100(a)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it may involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12a of the Act.

EIP.23/08 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION - APPLICATIONS FOR EARLY RETIREMENT/VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY
Consideration was given to a report of Head of Organisational Development regarding three applications for early retirement/voluntary redundancy. (For copy see file of Minutes).

Specific reference was made to the Appendices attached to the report which showed how the capitalised costs were to be set against the ongoing savings to be accrued by the new unitary authority.

Members noted that the payback periods were all well within the requirements of the Council's Early Retirement/Voluntary Redundancy Policy.

RESOLVED : *That the applications for early retirement/voluntary redundancy be approved in accordance with the terms set out in the report.*

EIP.24/08

APPRECIATION

The Chairman thanked officers and Members for their support.

Appreciation was also expressed for the Chairman.

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