



## Chief Officer Appointments Committee

**Date** Thursday 29 July 2021  
**Time** 1.00 pm  
**Venue** Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham

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### Business

#### Part A

#### Items which are open to the Public and Press

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitute Members
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2021 (Pages 3 - 4)
4. Declarations of interest, if any
5. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration
6. Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of items containing exempt information

#### Part B

#### Items during which it is considered the meeting will not be open to the public (consideration of exempt or confidential information)

7. Recruitment to the Post of Chief Executive - Report of Head of People and Talent Management (Pages 5 - 44)
8. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

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Durham  
21 July 2021

To: **The Members of the Chief Officer Appointments Committee**

Councillor A Hopgood (Chair)

Councillor R Bell (Vice-Chair)

Councillors R Crute, O Gunn, C Marshall, D Oliver, E Scott,  
P Sexton, A Shield, J Shuttleworth and A Surtees

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## DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **Chief Officer Appointments Committee** held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham on **Tuesday 13 July 2021 at 1.00 pm**

### **Present:**

**Councillor A Hopgood (Chair)**

### **Members of the Committee:**

Councillors R Bell (Vice-Chair), R Crute, O Gunn, D Oliver, A Shield, J Shuttleworth, A Surtees, K Shaw (substitute for C Marshall), M Stead (substitute for E Scott) and J Nicholson (substitute for P Sexton)

### **1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C Marshall, E Scott and P Sexton.

### **2 Substitute Members**

Councillor K Shaw was substitute for Councillor C Marshall, Councillor M Stead was substitute for Councillor E Scott and Councillor J Nicholson was substitute for Councillor P Sexton.

### **3 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2020 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### **4 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest in relation to any items of business on the agenda.

### **5 Recruitment to the Post of Chief Executive**

The Committee considered a report of the Head of People and Talent Management relating to the proposals for the recruitment to the permanent post of Chief Executive (for copy see file of minutes).

The Committee supported the recommendation outlined in Option 2 for an internal recruitment exercise.

**Resolved:**

- a) That the background to the interim arrangements be noted;
- b) That an internal recruitment exercise to appoint the Chief Executive as set out in paragraph 18 of the report be agreed.

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