

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, 4 AUGUST 2009 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillors A D Hampton (Chairperson), G D Davey, S C Egan, S A Hodges and T C Stenstrom

ALSO PRESENT: Cliff Lewis – Deputy Executive Officer
Angie Norman – Administration

CAT22. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

CAT23. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were received.

CAT24. **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE HELD ON 23 JUNE 2009**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Appointments Committee held on 23 June 2009 be signed and approved as a correct record.

CAT25. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED:

That in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

CAT26. **SHORT-LISTING OF CANDIDATES FOR INTERVIEW**

Due to the lack of applications members of the Committee were requested to consider various options on how to proceed. The options were as follows:-

1. That both the Lay Trustee positions be re-advertised, on the basis that the only expression of interest received did not include a completed application form, as requested in the Council's advertisement;
2. that GE be interviewed for one of the Lay Trustee positions and that the remaining position be re-advertised;

3. that GE be appointed to serve as a Lay Trustee for a further term of office without the need for another interview, on the basis that he was interviewed in 2006 when he first applied;
4. that the existing Lay Trustees whose appointments were due to terminate on 31 August 2009 be invited to serve for a further short term period, perhaps expiring on 31 December 2009 or even 31 March 2010, subject to the receipt of advice from the Charity Commission, and that the vacancies be advertised prior to the expiry of the temporary extensions to the current terms of office.

The Committee considered that option 3 could not be considered and they felt that it was inappropriate to consider an applicant on the basis of an application that had been received three years previously. They were advised by the Deputy Executive Officer that option 4 was not an option available to them under the Scheme of Governance.

Councillors felt that option 1 was the only way forward, although mindful of the possible costs involved in re-advertising the positions. They agreed that the vacancies be re-advertised trying every method available to the Council to avoid further expenditure.

RESOLVED

1. That the two Lay Trustees vacancies be re-advertised in various places i.e. Town Council notice boards, library, Vale of Glamorgan Council Offices, VCVS magazine and on the Town Council's website.
2. That Mr Geoff Wyatt of Democratic Services be contacted asking that the advertisement be placed on the Vale of Glamorgan Council's website.
3. That letters be sent to those candidates who had been unsuccessful in 2006 asking them if they would be interested in reapplying.
4. That a letter be sent to the Charity Commission advising them that the positions had been advertised, but that no applications had been received and that the Town Council was going to re-advertise the vacancies in the hope of attracting applicants.
5. That a letter be sent to the Chair of the Memorial Hall & Theatre Trust advising that the Town Council was re-advertising the positions.
6. That the closing date for further applications be Wednesday, 30 September 2009.

7. That the statement in the advertisement stating that "Barry Town Council is an equal opportunities employer" be removed.

CAT27. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED

That the next meeting of the Appointments Committee be Tuesday, 13 October 2009 commencing at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Signed Date