# Minutes of the **General Purposes Committee** of the **Test Valley Borough Council**

held in The Annexe, Crosfield Hall, Broadwater Road, Romsey on Monday, 24 July 2023 at 5.30 pm

Attendance:

Councillor K North Councillor S MacDonald (Chairman) (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor K Brooks
Councillor Z Brooks
Councillor J Burnage
Councillor S Yalden

Councillor A Dowden

108 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Adams-King and C Dowden.

109 <u>Public Participation</u>

No members of the public had registered to speak.

110 **Declarations of Interest** 

There were no declarations of interest.

111 <u>Urgent Items</u>

There were no urgent items to consider.

## 112 <u>Minutes of the General Purposes Committees</u>

#### Resolved:

That the minutes of the meetings held on 17 April and 3 May 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

## 113 <u>Minutes of the Appointments Sub-Committee</u>

#### Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

### 114 <u>HR Policy and Procedure Revisions</u>

The Council has a suite of HR policies and procedures which are used to manage a wide range of employment matters. These are subject to periodic review and update. The report considered updates to the Council's Organisational Change Policy and the Alcohol, Drug and Substance Use policy.

The proposed new policies were discussed with the Unions at a recent Policy and Procedure Review Group meeting and they supported the updates being put forward to both policies under review.

The recommendations were proposed by Councillor K North and seconded by Councillor Flood.

#### Resolved:

- 1. That the Organisational Change Policy attached at Annex 1 to the report be approved. This new policy will replace the current Management of Change Policy, Redeployment Policy and Procedure and Redundancy Policy and Procedure.
- 2. That the Alcohol, Drug and Substance Use Policy, attached at Annex 2 to the report, be approved. This policy will replace the current Alcohol, Drugs and Substance Misuse policy.

(The meeting terminated at 5.50 pm)