

REPORT OF THE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
PART I

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

- 1.1. At the Extraordinary Council meeting on 21 June 2021, it was agreed that the Director of Corporate Resources and Chief Financial Officer Carolyn Williamson be appointed as the new Chief Executive (Head of Paid Service). Mrs Williamson formally took up this appointment on 19 July 2021.
- 1.2. Following the decision of the Extraordinary Council, at a meeting of the Employment in Hampshire County Council (EHCC) Committee on 5 July 2021, proposed adjustments to the senior management structure were considered and agreed. With respect to the Director of Corporate Resources and Chief Financial Officer role becoming vacant as a result of the Chief Executive appointment, this comprised:
 - The deletion of the post of Director of Corporate Resources
 - The expansion of the role of the current Head of Finance, to be redesignated as Director of Corporate Operations and Chief Financial Officer.
- 1.3. In accordance with the County Council's Standing Orders, an Appointment Panel was required to confirm the appointment of the Director of Corporate Operations and Chief Financial Officer. The Appointment Panel held on 20 September 2021, and the appointment of Rob Carr, was duly confirmed.
- 1.4. Part 1, Chapter 4, paragraph 1.17 of the County Council's Constitution reserves to the Full Council the responsibility for making arrangements for proper administration of its financial affairs, pursuant to Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972. In respect of this, the County Council is asked to approve the appointment of Rob Carr as the statutory Chief Financial Officer.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the County Council:

- a) Approve the appointment of the Director of Corporate Operations as the statutory Chief Financial Officer of the County Council.