

Report for: Full Council

Title: Appointment to Monitoring Officer

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Ward(s) affected: None

Report for Key/

Non Key Decision: Non Key Decisions

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 To confirm the appointment to the Monitoring Officer role.

2.Cabinet Member Introduction

2.1 N/A

3.Recommendations

3.1 That John Jones be appointed as Monitoring Officer on an interim basis until the appointment of the permanent Monitoring Officer.

3.2 That Fiona Alderman be appointed permanent Monitoring Officer with effect from 10 May 2021.

4.Background information

4.1 On the 1 of December John Jones was appointed on an interim basis to the role of Head of Legal and Governance. This was dealt with in accordance with paragraph 6 of the employment procedure rules set out in the Constitution at Part 4 Section K.

4.2 On the 29th of January, following a recruitment process in line with employment procedure rules set out in the constitution at part 4 Section K, Fiona Alderman was appointed to the role of Head of Legal and Governance.

4.3 The 1989 Local Government and Housing Act imposes a duty on the authority to designate one of their officers (to be known as the Monitoring Officer) as the officer responsible for performing the duties imposed under section 5 of the Act. The duties imposed on the authority's Monitoring officer under this Act shall be performed by him personally or, where he/she is unable to act owing to absence or illness, personally by such member of his staff as he has for the time being nominated as his deputy for the purposes of this section.

The role of Head of Legal and Governance is also designated as the Councils Monitoring Officer.

- 4.4 Article 11.01c – of the Constitution advises that the Council has to appoint officers to fulfil the statutory roles identified in Part 3, Section E, Section 3.
- 4.5 The recommendations meet the requirements of the 1989 Local Government and Housing Act and the Councils Constitutional provisions.

5. Use of Appendices

None

6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 6.1 Background documents:
- 6.2 The background papers are located at River Park House, 225 High Road, Wood Green, London N22 8HQ.
- 6.3 To inspect them or to discuss this report further, please contact Ayshe Simsek on 0208 489 2929.