

**APPOINTMENTS PANEL
17th March, 2016**

Present:- Councillor Watson (in the Chair); Commissioner Newsam, Councillors Lelliott, Parker, Steele, C. Vines and Mr. I. Thomas.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES

Following a national advertising and search campaign, preliminary interviews involving Commissioner Newsam and an assessment centre involving Elected Members and Stakeholders, the all-party selection panel today met to interview the two shortlisted candidates for the post of Deputy Director of Children and Young People's Services.

The panel have selected Ms. Melanie Meggs as their preferred candidate.

Ms. Meggs is a highly experienced senior Children's Social Care professional and is currently employed by Derbyshire County Council as Service Director (Early Help & Safeguarding). Ms. Meggs experience in Children's Social Care spans 30 years and she is currently responsible for a large multi professional workforce spanning a full range of early help and safeguarding functions which also incorporate cross agency teams.

Resolved:- That Ms. Melanie Meggs be appointed Deputy Director of Children and Young People's Services.