

**APPOINTMENTS PANEL
23rd December, 2014**

Present:- Councillor Lakin (in the Chair); Councillors Cowles, Doyle, Hoddinott, Middleton and Steele.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM DIRECTOR OF ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES

Following the retirement of the Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods and Adult Services it was necessary to consider interim arrangements to cover the statutory role of Director of Adult Social Services whilst arrangements were made for a permanent replacement.

Consideration was given to an internal appointment to the post and following a thorough process of consideration of work experience and questions by Panel Members, including contributions by the Leader of the Opposition, it was unanimously agreed that Ms. Shona McFarlane, currently the Council's Director of Health and Wellbeing, be offered the appointment on the basis of her experience and demonstrated competencies.

Resolved:- That Ms Shona McFarlane be appointed Interim Director of Adult Social Services initially for a six month period.