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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
APPOINTMENTS SUB COMMITTEE
Town Hall Main Road Romford
16 July 2013 (2.45 - 4.30 pm)**

Present:

COUNCILLORS

Conservative Group Michael White (Vice-Chair, in the Chair), Steven Kelly, Roger Ramsey and +Barry Oddy

Residents' Group Gillian Ford and +Linda Van den Hende

Labour Group Denis O'Flynn

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Becky Bennett and Clarence Barrett (+Barry Oddy and +Linda Van den Hende substituted respectively

Andrew Blake-Herbert, Group Director Resources and Helen Edwards, Director of Legal & Governance at the LB of Newham were also present.

The Chairman, informed those present of the action to be taken in the event of an emergency.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

1 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 8 July 2013 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

On a motion by the Chairman the Sub-Committee **RESOLVED:**

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, if members of the public were present during those items there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

3 APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

The Committee interviewed two applicants for appointment to this position. The Sub-Committee carefully considered the merits of each candidate by

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reference to the written profiles. The Sub-Committee satisfied itself as to their competency by questioning them in turn.

Members then deliberated on their individual merits. After weighing the relative strengths and experience of the candidates as indicated by their application and by interview, the Sub-Committee **RESOLVED NOT TO APPOINT** either of the candidates to the post.

The Sub-Committee further **RESOLVED** not to re-advertise the post.

Chairman