

MINUTES OF JNC APPOINTMENTS, SALARIES AND STRUCTURES PANEL

Tuesday, 20 April 2021
(5:17 - 5:24 pm)

Present: Cllr Darren Rodwell (Chair), Cllr Saima Ashraf and Cllr Phil Waker

Apologies: Cllr Dominic Twomey

15. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

16. Private Business

The Panel **resolved** to exclude the public and press from the remainder of the meeting by reason of the nature of the business to be discussed which included information exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 1 of Part 1, Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

17. Chief Executive's Support to the Thames Estuary Growth Board

Further to Minute 14 of the last meeting, the Managing Director presented a report on the proposal for the Council's Chief Executive to provide consultancy support to the Thames Estuary Growth Board (TEGB) on a part-time basis over an initial three-month period, commencing in April 2021.

The Managing Director explained that the TEGB was progressing its action plan entitled "The Green Blue", which set out high level plans to unleash the economic potential across the East London, North Essex and South Kent areas through a range of projects that would lead to job creation, housing solutions, new transport and digital infrastructure throughout the region.

The TEGB was at an important stage in its development and had identified a number of key deliverables that it believed the Council's Chief Executive could play a pivotal role in progressing, to the mutual benefit of all parties. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between TEGB and the Council had been drafted, which was appended to the report, setting out the Chief Executive's proposed role as consultant to the Board and the team that supported it. The draft MoU also set out the financial arrangements between the TEGB and the Council to compensate for the time spent by the Chief Executive on the project.

The Panel **resolved** to:

- (i) Agree the proposal for the Chief Executive, Chris Naylor, to provide consultancy support to Thames Estuary Growth Board (TEGB) for approximately 2.5 days a week over a three-month period commencing in April 2021, in accordance with the terms set out in the Memorandum of Understanding at Appendix 1 to the report; and
- (ii) Delegate authority to the Leader, as Chair of the JNC Panel, to approve the

extension of the arrangement for a period of up to six months on the same terms, subject to all parties being in agreement with the arrangement.