Bath & North East Somerset Council

Improving People's Lives

Restructuring Implementation Committee

Date: Monday 9th October 2023

Time: 3.30 pm

Venue: Kaposvar Room - Guildhall, Bath

Councillor Kevin Guy Councillor Robin Moss Councillor Shaun Hughes Councillor Joanna Wright Councillor Tim Warren CBE

Chief Executive and other appropriate officers Press and Public



NOTES:

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Council's website: https://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieDocHome.aspx?bcr=1

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at 3.30 pm in the Kaposvar Room - Guildhall, Bath

AGENDA

- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chair will draw attention to the emergency evacuation procedure as set out under Note 6.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

At this point in the meeting declarations of interest are received from Members in any of the agenda items under consideration at the meeting.

- (a) The agenda item number in which they have an interest to declare.
- (b) The nature of their interest.
- (c) Whether their interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an other interest (as defined in Part 4.4 Appendix B of the Code of Conduct and Rules for Registration of Interests).

Any Member who needs to clarify any matters relating to the declaration of interests is recommended to seek advice from the Council's Monitoring Officer or a member of his staff before the meeting to expedite dealing with the item during the meeting.

- 4. TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR
- 5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 4TH AUGUST 2023 (Pages 5 6)
- 6. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS
- 7. SENIOR MANAGEMENT RESTRUCTURE (Pages 7 12)

To seek the Committee's approval to review and restructure the Strategic Leadership Team posts that report directly to the Chief Executive.

The Committee Administrator for this meeting is Jo Morrison who can be contacted on 01225 394358.



BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET

RESTRUCTURING IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Friday 4th August 2023 (adjourned and reconvened on 18th August 2023)

Present:- Councillors Robin Moss, Shaun Hughes, Joanna Wright (for the reconvened session) and Tim Warren CBE

Also in attendance: Will Godfrey (Chief Executive), Cherry Bennett (Director of People & Policy)

32 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were noted from Councillor Kevin Guy. Councillor Robin Moss was elected Chair for the meeting.

33 EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chair drew attention to this.

34 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

35 TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

There were no items of urgent business.

36 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 7TH FEBRUARY 2023

These were moved and seconded as a correct record.

37 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

There were no items from the public.

38 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

It was moved, seconded and

RESOLVED that, having been satisfied that the public interest test would be better served by not disclosing relevant information, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended.

39 CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYMENT MATTER

After consideration, the Committee adjourned and reconvened on 18th August 2023. A decision on this matter was then reached at the reconvened session.

Prepared by Democratic Service	s
Date Confirmed and Signed	
Chair(person)	
The meeting ended at 2.35 p	m

Bath & North East Somerset Council		
MEETING	Restructuring Implementation Committee	AGENDA ITEM
DATE:	9 th October 2023	NUMBER
TITLE:	Senior Management Restructure	
WARD:	ALL	
	REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE	

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 To seek the Committee's approval to review and restructure the Strategic Leadership Team posts that report directly to the Chief Executive.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Chief Executive be given delegated authority to review and restructure the Strategic Leadership Team. There are currently four Director posts that report to the Chief Executive and it is proposed that this will reduce to three posts with effect from 1 December 2023.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 It is expected that there will be no significant financial implications as a result of this change. There will be a small saving of circa £15,000 in the reduction of Director level accountability and job grading for one Director post and this will be used to cover increases in salary for the new Executive Director posts.

4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 In July 2023 we launched our "Being Our BEST" programme to deliver "great jobs, smarter structures and a culture of excellence". Through these three strands of the culture change programme, we want to make Bath & North East Somerset the best council it can be. The change needs to start at the top with a cohort of senior officers committed to delivering in new and innovative ways.
- 4.2 The current Strategic Leadership Team structure (Appendix 1) comprises of the Chief Executive, with the posts of Chief Operating Officer, Director of Sustainable Communities, Chief Finance Officer and Director of People & Policy all reporting to the Chief Executive.
- 4.3 It is proposed that the council moves to a Strategic Leadership Team structure (Appendix 2) comprising the Chief Executive and three Executive Directors; Executive Director Operations, Executive Director Resources (S151) and Executive Director Sustainable Communities. This will create a more focused leadership team around the three key streams of activity:
 - Operations
 - Place leadership
 - Resources and enabling functions Page 7

The Executive Director (Operations)/Chief Operating Officer will be the nominated deputy to the Chief Executive in the same way this function currently sits with the Chief Operating Officer.

- 4.4 The post of Director of People & Policy will be moved to report to the Executive Director Resources post to form a stronger more connected set of enabling and professional functions.
- 4.5 All post holders will be slotted into their new roles and will be invited to attend a three part assessment process including a psychometric assessment and behavioural interview.
- 4.6 The RIC forms the final appointment panel, to interview each candidate and consider feedback from the assessment process.

5 EQUALITIES AND RISK MANAGEMENT

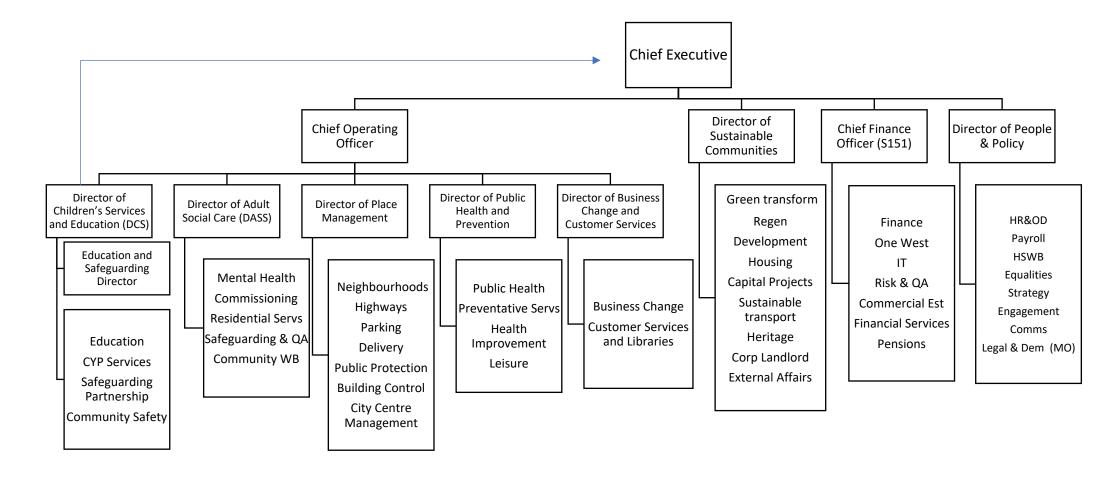
- 5.1 The Organisational Change Policy, was the subject of full Risk Assessment at the time it was adopted by the Council.
- 5.2 All applicants will be treated fairly and in accordance with the Council's policy.

6 ADVICE SOUGHT

6.1 The Council's Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer have had the opportunity to input to this report and has cleared it for circulation.

Contact person	Will Godfrey, Chief Executive (Tel: 01225
Background papers	None
Please contact the report author if you need to access this report in an alternative format	

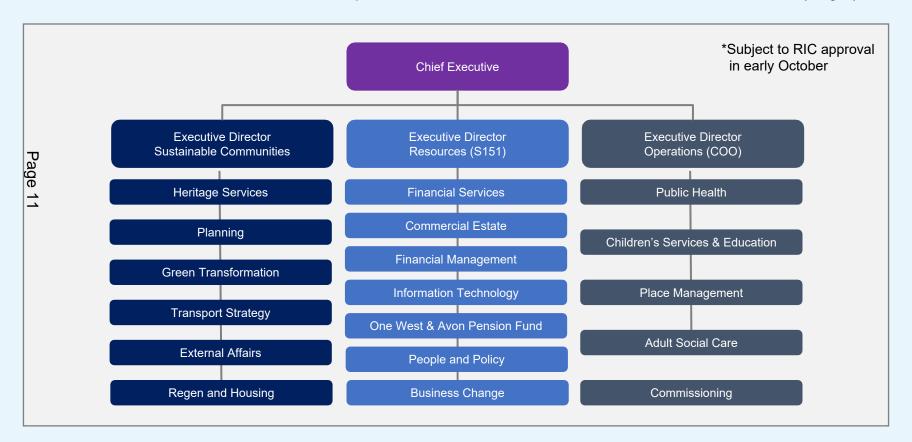
Current structure Sept 2023



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Proposed structure 1 January 2024

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