

AGENDA ITEM 35

REPORT TO COUNCIL

4TH MARCH 2009

**REPORT OF DIRECTOR
OF LAW AND
DEMOCRACY**

Officer Decision taken in Consultation with the Mayor

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the following Officer Decisions were taken under urgency provisions in consultation with the Mayor:-

To approve arrangements for the appointment of a Corporate Director of Development and Neighbourhood Services and appoint the following members to the Appointments Panel:-

Cllr Ken Lupton
Cllr Bob Cook
Cllr Mrs Jennie Beaumont
Cllr Steve Nelson
Cllr Bob Gibson
Cllr Dick Cains
Cllr Mrs Maureen Rigg
Cllr Mrs Lynne Apedaile
Cllr Walmsley

At its meeting held on 5th February 2009 Cabinet agreed a recommendation to Council relating to arrangements for the appointment of a Director of Development and Neighbourhood Services (Decision Record attached). Council are due to consider that recommendation at its meeting to be held on 4th March 2009. The position of Corporate Director of Development and Neighbourhood Services is a Key post within the Council and it is considered that an appointment should be made as soon as practicable. Having regard to this, and relevant Members' and Officers' diaries, it is considered necessary to hold the shortlisting element of the appointment on 18th February 2009 i.e ahead of Council's consideration of the issue on 4th March 2009. This will assist in the appointment being made at an earlier stage than would otherwise be possible.

The Panel's membership, identified above, reflects a recommendation from Cabinet and consultation with political groups.

RECOMMENDED that the Officer Decisions that have been taken in consultation with the Mayor be noted.