

Local Joint Consultative Panel

A meeting of Local Joint Consultative Panel was held on Monday, 15th December, 2008.

Present: Cllr Ken Lupton (In the Chair), Cllr Jim Beall, Cllr David Coleman, Cllr Terry Laing, Cllr Roy Rix, J Stockill, S Batchelor (Unison) and J Asquith (UNITE)

Officers: G Bagley, Mrs S Reay, Mrs J Spittle (R); M Batty, M McLone (DNS); Mrs T Harrison (LD)

Also in attendance: No other person's were present.

Apologies: Cllr Mick Eddy, Cllr Ross Patterson and S Smith (Unison)

LJC 20/08 Appointment of Chairman

RESOLVED that Councillor Lupton be appointed Chairman for this meeting only.

LJC 21/08 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Beall and Rix declared personal non prejudicial interests in relation to single status due to the fact that their partners worked for Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council.

LJC 22/08 Minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2008

Consideration was given to the draft minutes of 8th September 2008.

CONCLUDED that the draft minutes of the meeting held on 8th September 2008 were agreed as a correct record.

LJC 23/08 Agency, Casual, Sub Contract Workers within SBC - Security Services

Members were provided with a report regarding the use of agency and casual workers in services such as the Security Service.

Members discussed the report and received clarification on matters of concern.

CONCLUDED that:

1. The report be noted.
2. Clarification on how many people are employed on a temporary basis where a core employee could have been employed and put in place to be given at the next meeting.
3. Names and dates of employment of agency workers to be provided at the next meeting to show how long agency workers have been in continuous employment with Stockton Borough Council.
4. Clarification on the terminology used to ensure the same terminology be used throughout the Council.

**LJC
24/08** **Xentrall Shared Services Update**

Members were provided with an update on the progress of Xentrall, Stockton Darlington Partnership.

Members raised concerns regarding the delays with the computer room in Darlington. Members expressed an interest in a Members Seminars to discuss the computer room issue.

Members requested that all Members received the minutes from the Partnership Board.

CONCLUDED that:

1. The report be noted.
2. Following a meeting of the Stockton Darlington Partnership Board 17th December, the item will be on the next Local Joint Consultative Panel agenda to feedback the comments from the Partnership Board meeting.
3. Quarterly updates will be given to Cabinet and Local Joint Consultative Panel following the update at the next meeting.

**LJC
25/08** **Health and Safety Statistics**

Members were provided with Health and Safety statistics for 1st September to 20th November 2008.

Members queried the reason for five reports of verbal abuse within Resources. Officers advised that they would investigate and report back to Members at the next meeting.

CONCLUDED that:

1. The report be noted.
2. Officers will investigate the source and reason for five claims of verbal abuse within Resources and report back to Members at the next meeting.

**LJC
26/08** **Single Status Update**

Members received an update on single status.

Members requested figures on the number of employees that would be in detriment at the conclusion of the three year period of frozen salaries.

Members also requested information regarding craft workers as to whether or not they would be in detriment and how many workers would be affected.

CONCLUDED that:

1. The report be noted.

2. Officers will provide figures on the number of employees that will be in detriment at the conclusion of the three year period of frozen salaries at the next meeting.

3. Officers will provide information to the next meeting regarding craft workers as to whether or not they will be in detriment and how many workers will be affected.

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27/08

Work Programme 2008/09

Members discussed the work programme.

CONCLUDED that the Xentrall updates be received on a quarterly basis.