

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERSONNEL PANEL  
HELD AT FOLLATON HOUSE, TOTNES ON FRIDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2009**

**MEMBERS**

\* Cllr M F Saltern - Chairman

\* Cllr J A Westacott - Vice-Chairman

ø Cllr R F Croad

\* Cllr R J Tucker

ø Cllr T J Hewitt

\* Denotes attendance

ø Denotes apology for absence

Officers in attendance:

All Agenda Items: Strategic Director (Resources), Personnel Manager and  
Member Support Services Manager.

**PP.11/09 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 29 June 2009 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**PP.12/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare any interests in the items of business to be considered during the course of the meeting but none were made.

**PP.13/09 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**RESOLVED**

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business as the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act is involved.

**PP.14/09 PROGRESS TOWARDS SINGLE STATUS – NEGOTIATIONS WITH TONE LEISURE**

Consideration was given to an exempt report which provided the Panel with a progress update on the negotiations with Tone Leisure in regard to the Single Status project.

Officers proceeded to set the issue in context, and in introducing the report, advised that guidance was sought on the outlined negotiated proposal in order for the Panel to provide a recommendation to the Executive at its meeting on 8 October 2009.

Following a lengthy debate (during which the various proposals were individually considered), some minor amendments were made to the proposed conditions, which the Panel wished to be reflected in the report to be presented to the Executive.

In addition, concern was raised that it would be impractical to continually have to report back to the Panel during the negotiations with Tone Leisure. To overcome this concern, it was suggested that delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director (Resources), in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panel, the lead Executive Member for Personnel and the Leader of Council, in order to reach an agreement with Tone Leisure to remove mutual obligations contained within the Business Transfer Agreement in relation to single status.

It was then:-

### **RESOLVED**

That the report to be presented to the Executive include the following guidance from the Panel:-

1. That the negotiations should be concluded in accordance with the amended conditions as outlined during the meeting; and
2. That delegated authority should be given to the Strategic Director (Resources), in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panel, the lead Executive Member for Personnel and the Leader of Council, in order to reach an agreement with Tone Leisure to remove mutual obligations contained within the Business Transfer Agreement in relation to single status.

(Meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.40 pm).

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Chairman