The Report of the Chief Officers' Appointments Committee

The Committee met at County Hall, Northallerton on Wednesday, 21 December, 2009. Present:- County Councillor John Weighell in the Chair. County Councillors: Keith Barnes, Carl Les, Penny Marsden, Chris Metcalfe, John Watson OBE, and Clare Wood.

The Committee met at County Hall, Northallerton on Wednesday, 28 April, 2010. Present:- County Councillor John Weighell in the Chair. County Councillors: Keith Barnes, Carl Les, Penny Marsden, Chris Metcalfe, John Watson OBE, and Clare Wood.

The Committee met again at County Hall, Northallerton on Tuesday, 11 May, 2010. Present:- County Councillor John Weighell in the Chair. County Councillors: Keith Barnes, Carl Les, Penny Marsden, Chris Metcalfe, John Watson OBE, and Clare Wood.

1. Appointment of Chief Executive Officer and Head of Paid Service: The Committee met, initially, to appoint recruitment consultants agree selection process together with timetable and then, at its next meeting, to agree a short list of candidates for the post of Chief Executive Officer.

Having interviewed short listed candidates at its meeting on 11 May, 2010, the Committee has taken the view that, subject to the usual final checks on references and obtaining medical clearance, a formal offer of appointment should be made to Richard Flinton, who is currently Corporate Director of Business and Environmental Services. Prior to a formal offer of appointment being made, however, it is necessary for the Council to approve the appointment of Richard Flinton as Chief Executive Officer and Head of Paid Service.

Accordingly your Committee RECOMMENDS -

That the appointment of Richard Flinton as the County Council's Chief Executive Officer and Head of Paid Service be approved.

JOHN WEIGHELL Chairman

County Hall, NORTHALLERTON.

11 May 2010