

## APPEALS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 4 September 2019

**Chair:**

Councillor Gladys Miller

**Councillors Present:**

Councillor Isobel Dorman, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

**Attending:**

**Finance and Corporate Resources**

S McLeod, Administration Officer; E Maxwell, Personnel Adviser

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### 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

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### 2 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

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### 3 Exclusion of Press and Public

**The Panel decided:**

that, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the next item of business on the grounds that it was likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information in terms of Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

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### 4 Appeal Against Suspension Without Pay and Final Written Warning

The Panel considered an appeal (Ref 5/19) by an employee against his suspension without pay and final written warning.

The appellant was present and represented by S Smellie of UNISON. The Council was represented by a Personnel Adviser. The Council called a witness and the appellant's representative called the appellant. All parties were heard in relation to the appeal and then withdrew from the meeting.

**The Panel decided:**

that the grounds of the appeal had been substantiated in part and the appeal be upheld to the extent that:-

- ◆ the final written warning remain in place
- ◆ the period of suspension be removed