

APPEALS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 5, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 20 December 2007

Chair:

Councillor Denis McKenna

Councillors Present:

Alex Allison, Bev Gauld, Graeme Horne

Councillors' Apologies:

Alex McInnes, Danny Meikle

Attending:

S McKenzie, Personnel Officer; S McLeod, Administration Officer

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 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.

3 Appeal Against Demotion and Final Written Warning

The Panel considered an appeal (22/07) by a former employee of Housing and Technical Resources against his demotion and final written warning.

The appellant was present and represented by A Murphy, Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians. The Council was represented by D Paterson, Personnel Officer, Housing and Technical Resources. Both sides called witnesses. 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 not been substantiated and the appeal be not upheld.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.