# **APPEALS PANEL**

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 20 December 2023

#### Chair:

Councillor Lesley McDonald

### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor Colin Dewar, Councillor Bert Thomson

## Attending:

## **Finance and Corporate Resources**

P MacRae, Administration Adviser; G Robertson, Personnel Adviser

### 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

# 2 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

## 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.

## 4 Appeal Against Dismissal

The Panel considered an appeal (Ref 7/23) by an employee against their dismissal.

The appellant was present and represented by a trade union representative. 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 not been substantiated

and the appeal be not upheld.