

## APPEALS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 5, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 22 November 2007

**Chair:**

Councillor Pat Watters

**Councillors Present:**

Pam Clearie, Alex McInnes, John Murray, Bert Thomson, Sheena Wardhaugh

**Attending:**

**Corporate Resources**

P Forsyth, Personnel Adviser; S McLeod, Administration Officer

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### Appointment of Chair

In terms of Standing Order No 5(b), Councillor Watters was appointed Chair for this meeting.

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### 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

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### 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.

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### 3 Appeal Against Dismissal

The Panel considered an appeal (17/07) by a former employee of Housing and Technical Resources against his dismissal.

The appellant was present and represented by J McLaren, Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians. The Council was represented by M McGuinness, Personnel Adviser, 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.

*[Reference: Minutes of 20 November 2007 (Paragraph 3)]*

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#### **4 Urgent Business**

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There were no items of urgent business.