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# CLEVELAND FIRE AUTHORITY

## MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE (APPOINTMENTS) COMMITTEE MEETING



6 MARCH 2026

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**PRESENT:**

**CHAIR**  
Councillor David Coupe

**HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
Councillor Bob Buchan

**REDCAR & CLEVELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
Councillors Peter Chaney, Mary Ovens

**STOCKTON ON TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
Councillors Jim Beall (Sub), Mick Stoker

**AUTHORISED OFFICER**  
Legal Adviser & Monitoring Officer

**BRIGADE OFFICER**  
ACFO - Service Delivery (Observing)

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor Gary Allen - Hartlepool Borough Council

In accordance with Standing Order No. 35 Councillor Jim Beall substituted for Councillor Gary Allen.

**108. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

It was noted no Declarations of Interests were submitted to the meeting.

**109. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION ORDER) 2006**

**RESOLVED** "That under Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph 1 of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, namely information relating to any individual"

**110. CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF THE LEGAL ADVISER & MONITORING OFFICER**

**110.1 Appointment of Independent Persons**

Members interviewed candidates for the role of Independent Persons to Cleveland Fire Authority for a four-year period from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2030.

**COUNCILLOR DAVID COUPE**  
**CHAIR**