

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER  
2017**

**Present:** Councillor Newton (Chairman), and  
Councillors Cox, Lewins, Newton, Mrs Ring and  
Vizzard

48. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Boughton, Fermor, Fissenden and Hinder.

49. NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

It was noted that Councillor Cox was substituting for Councillor Fermor.

50. NOTIFICATION OF VISITING MEMBERS

There were no Visiting Members.

51. DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

There were no disclosures by Members and Officers.

52. DISCLOSURES OF LOBBYING

There were no disclosures of lobbying.

53. EXEMPT ITEMS

**RESOLVED:** That the items on Part II of the agenda should be taken in private, as proposed, due to the likely disclosure of exempt information.

54. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2017

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed.

55. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER TO THE JOINT INDEPENDENT  
REMUNERATION PANEL

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance and the exempt appendix which related to the appointment of an Independent Person for the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel.

Members interviewed the candidate and considered the application.

**RESOLVED:** That the **Committee Recommends to Council** that Mr Christopher Webb be appointed as the Independent Person for the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel.

Voting: For: unanimous

56. DURATION OF MEETING

10.30 a.m. to 11.15 a.m.