held at Ryedale House, Malton Wednesday 5 December 2007

### Present

Councillors Wainwright (in the Chair), Mrs Arnold, Clark, Mrs Cowling and Mrs Shields

### In Attendance

Mrs L Carter, Mrs M Jackson and Miss L Sandall

#### Minutes

#### SMC.79 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Burr, Cottam, Keal, Knaggs and Warriner

#### SMC.80 Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting of the Working Party held on 24 September 2007 (previously circulated).

Councillor Clark referred to Minute No. SMC.78 (Revised Redeployment and Redundancy Policy) and reported that he had recorded his vote against part (b) of the resolution.

Councillor Clark reported that he wished to raise issues relating to the application of the Redeployment & Redundancy Policy, in particular the special circumstances and exceptions and the application of the policy to date as a result of the recent senior management review.

The Chairman reported that these issues would be considered under urgent business.

The Corporate Director reported that in the event of the meeting considering details relating to the outcome of the Corporate Management restructure she would withdraw from the meeting.

#### Resolved

That the minutes of a meeting of the Working Party held on 24 September 2007 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to it being noted that Councillor Clark had recorded his vote against part (b) of the resolution of Minute No SMCWP.78 - Revised Redeployment and Redundancy Policy.

## SMC.81 Exempt Information

### Resolved

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items as there will be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the information relates to any individual.

## SMC.82 Interim Chief Financial Officer Arrangements

The Corporate Director submitted a report (previously circulated) the purpose of which was to seek Member approval to extend the interim arrangements for the Chief Financial Officer for a further period of up to six months.

### Resolved

That the contract for the Interim Chief Financial Officer be extended for a period of three months to 31 March 2008 with an option to extend the contract on a monthly basis up to an additional 3 months or until such time as a permanent appointment had been made to the post of Corporate Director (Section 151 Officer) and the successful applicant was in post.

# SMC.83 Urgent Business

The following item was considered as it was decided by the Chairman to be urgent by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972. The item related to issues raised in connection with the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2007.

# SMC.84 Redeployment & Redundancy Policy

Councillor Clark referred to Minute No. SMC.78 - Revised Redeployment & Redundancy Policy and raised issues relating to the policy and its recent application.

The Corporate Director withdrew from the meeting, and in the absence of a member of the Corporate Management Team, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned. In the circumstances it was agreed that the meeting be reconvened at 5.45 pm the following day 6 December 2007 prior to the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee.