

MINUTES OF BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY HELD VIRTUALLY ON FRIDAY, 20TH MAY, 2022

PRESENT:

Cllr G Ratcliffe (Chair)
Cllr M Jones
Cllr E Roderick
Cllr J Davies
Cllr J Hill
Canon Aled Edwards (Deputy Chair)
Mr Julian Stedman

Apologies

Cllr McNicholas, Cllr A Webb, Cllr S Evans, Cllr G Thomas and S Holden

46/21 Correspondence

The Chair welcomed Members and Officers to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were noted.

47/21 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

48/21 Public Speaking

There were no requests to speak.

The Chair noted that with a new Senior Management Team in place and new Members to come following the election; the Authority is open and encouraging of engagement from the public. Anyone wishing to speak at upcoming meetings should put in a request with Democratic Services.

49/21 Chief Executive's Announcement

The Chief Executive introduced the Authority's new Executive Board as Simone Lowthe-Thomas (Director of Nature Recovery and Climate Change), Gareth Jones (Director of Planning and Place) and Rotimi Akinsiku (Programme and Portfolio Manager).

She acknowledged the big job ahead, and the importance of Members and Officers working as one team. Having the right senior management in place would make this possible.

She gave updates on key engagements and new funding that had been made available.

The Chair noted that this was an exciting time for the National Park Authority and that Members were looking forward to working with the new Executive Board, and would look to them to drive the National Park forwards.

50/21 Inter-Authority Deputising Agreement Report

The Monitoring Officer presented a report to seek approval for an inter-authority agreement between Brecon Beacons NPA and Pembrokeshire Coast NPA for the role of Section 151 Officer.

Members were asked to appoint the S151 Officer for Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority as temporary interim and subsequent Deputy S151 Officer for the Authority which is to be recorded by agreement between the two National Parks.

The Monitoring Officer advised in response to a Member's enquiry that the interim S151 Officer may be required to prepare a draft statement of accounts.

RESOLVED:

- 1. Appoint the S151 Officer of Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority as:
 - a) interim S151 Officer; and**
 - b) deputy S151 Officer on the appointment of the new post holder by the Authority****

- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive in consultation with the Monitoring officer to settle and conclude the S151 Officer agreement with Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority.**

Signed as a correct record
Chairman of the National Park Authority