

**Reconvened Special Shetland Islands Council
Council Chamber, Town Hall, Lerwick
Friday 19 February 2010 at 12 p.m.**

Present:

A J Cluness	L Angus
J Budge	A Cooper
A Duncan	B Fullerton
F B Grains	I J Hawkins
R Henderson	J Henry
A Hughson	W H Manson
R Nickerson	F A Robertson
G Robinson	J G Simpson
C Smith	A Wishart

Apologies:

L Baisley	A Doull
C Miller	J W G Wills

In attendance (Officers):

H Sutherland, Depute Chief Executive
G Johnston, Head of Finance
J Riise, Head of Legal and Administration
J Smith, Head of Organisational Development
A Cogle, Service Manager – Administration

Chairperson

Mr A J Cluness, Convener of the Council, presided.

Circular

The circular calling the meeting was held as read.

In order to prevent the disclosure of exempt information, Mr A J Cluness moved, Mr J G Simpson seconded, and the Council resolved, in terms of the relevant legislation, to exclude the public during consideration of the following item of business.

Declarations of Interest

Mr A Duncan advised that he had a pecuniary interest to declare.

Mr A Duncan left the meeting.

The Council noted that Mrs C Miller had previously declared an interest in this matter, prior to the meeting, and would not be attending, nor had she received any papers.

Mr A J Cluness advised that due to flight delays, Mr Mair and Mr McCall would be arriving late, and accordingly adjourned the meeting until their arrival.

The meeting adjourned at 12.05 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1 p.m.

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Also:

M McCall, Solicitor – Anderson Strathern
R Mair, Chief Executive - CoSLA

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Staffing Matter

The Council received a report from Mr Mair (RECORD Appendix 1).

Follwing a lengthy debate, during which advice was given by the Mr Mair and McCall, Mr A Wishart moved that the Council's contractual relationship with the current Chief Executive be ended by mutual consent, in the terms outlined in the report, and that a joint public announcement be made today if possible, or by next Monday or Tuesday. Mr A Cooper seconded and in the absence of any amendment, this was declared the finding of the meeting.

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A J Cluness
Convener