

**EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 18 NOVEMBER 2008**

Subject:	Procedures for Appointment of Assistant Directors		
Date of Meeting:	4 December 2008		
Other Meeting:	Governance Committee 18 November 2008		
Report of:	Director of Strategy and Governance		
Key Decision:	No		
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Wards Affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE****4.00pm 18 NOVEMBER 2008****COUNCIL CHAMBER
HOVE TOWN HALL****MINUTES**

Present: Councillor Ann Norman (Chairman); Councillor Simpson (Deputy Chairman), Councillors Mrs Brown, Mrs Cobb, Elgood, Mears, Mitchell (OS), Oxley, Taylor and West.

***51. PROCEDURES FOR APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT DIRECTORS**

51.1 By reason of the special circumstances, and in accordance with section 100B(4)(b) of the 1972 Act, the Chairman of the meeting was consulted and was of the opinion that this item should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

51.2 The Committee noted that the special circumstances for non-compliance with Council Procedure Rule 19, Access to Information Rule 5 and Section 100B, Schedule 12A of the 1972 Local Government Act as amended (items not to be considered unless the agenda is open to inspection at least five days in advance of the meeting) were that a review of the Employment Procedure Rules,

(which dealt, amongst other things, with the appointment of Senior Officers), was planned for a review as part of the 6-month review of the Constitution. However, it had become apparent that, given the likelihood of some appointments needing to be made before then, it was necessary for the appointment of Assistant Directors to be considered by the Governance Committee at its meeting on the 18 November before being submitted to Council for approval.

51.3 RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:

- (1) That the changes to the Officer Employment Procedure Rules set out in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 be agreed;
- (2) That the Head of Law be authorised to amend the Constitution to give effect to the changes; and
- (3) That the changes come into force with immediate effect.