

TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Council
Date: 17 February 2016
Report for: For approval
Report of: Director of Legal and Democratic Services

Report Title

Designation of Section 151 Officer

Summary

To designate the post of Chief Finance Officer as the Council's Statutory 151 Officer.

Recommendation(s)

That, with effect from 1 March 2016, the post of Chief Finance Officer be designated as the Council's Statutory 151 Officer and that the scheme of delegation be amended so that the Chief Finance Officer be authorised to perform all financial duties previously the responsibility of the post of Director of Finance.

That the Director of Legal and Democratic Services make the necessary amendments to the constitution.

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Background Papers: None

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- 1.1 The Local Government Act 1972 directs that a local authority shall make arrangements for the proper administration of their financial affairs and shall secure that one of their officers has responsibility for the administration of those affairs.
- 1.2 The Council currently designate the post of Director of Finance to this position. However, this post is to be disestablished and the new post of Chief Finance Officer has been created in its place. It is therefore recommended that the Chief Finance Officer post be designated as the Section 151 Officer with effect from 1 March 2016.