

Appointments Panel

Agenda

1 September 2026

Time: 3.00 pm

Location: Council Chamber

Members: Appointments Panel

Councillors B Harrison, G Harrison, Holbrook, Little (C), Napper, Roy, Scarborough and Wiley

Children's Services Committee Chair – Councillor Lindridge

1. Apologies for absence

2. To receive any declarations by members

3. Minutes

3.1 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 23 July 2026.

4. Items for information

4.1. None.

5. Any other business which the chair considers urgent

6. Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006

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Exempt items

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7. Items requiring decision

- 7.1. Longlisting - Appointment of Assistant Director of Children and Families and Assistant Director of Education, Aspirations and Achievement – *Executive Director of Children's Services*

8. Any other confidential items which the chairman considers urgent

For information

Date of next meeting – 21st September 2026

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Minutes and Decision Record

23rd July 2026

Meeting commenced

Time: 10.30 am

Location: Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillor: Little (in the Chair)

Councillors: G Harrison, Holbrook, Napper and Roy

Also Present: Councillor Thompson as a substitute for Councillor Scarborough
Councillor Dunbar as a substitute for Councillor B Harrison
Councillor Lindridge

Officers: Matt Wilton, Chief Executive
Hayley Martin, Director of Legal, Governance & HR
Alison Sutherland, Executive Director of Children's Services
Gillian Laight, Human Resources Manager
Angela Lucas, Principal Democratic Services and Legal Support Officer
Claire McPartlin, Democratic Services and Legal Support Officer

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillor Brenda Harrison and Scarborough

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of the meeting held

Minutes from 17th March and 23rd March – agreed.

4. Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) Order 2006

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Minute 5 – Approval to Recruit to the Posts of Assistant Director of Children & Families and Assistant Director of Education, Aspirations and Achievement. This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 namely (paras 1 and 2), information relating an individual or information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

5. Approval to Recruit to the Posts of Assistant Director of Children & Families and Assistant Director of Education, Aspirations and Achievement - *Executive Director, Children's Services*

The Executive Director, Children's Services sought approval to recruit to the posts of Assistant Director of Children & Families, and Assistant Director of Education, Aspirations and Achievement.

Decision

Detailed in the closed minutes.

The meeting concluded at time 11.00 am

CHAIR