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| EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE | AGENDA ITEM No. 6 |
| 12 February 2015 | PUBLIC REPORT |

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH - UPDATE

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| RECOMMENDATIONS | |
| FROM : Chief Executive | |
| <p>That the Employment Committee considers matters relating to the Director of Public Health. A further report will be made in advance of the meeting, dependent upon the outcomes of further discussions.</p> | |

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Employment Committee on matters relating to the Director of Public Health (DPH).

2. TIMESCALE

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| Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan? | NO | If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting | N/A |
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3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 On 28 August 2014, the Employment Committee interviewed for the post of DPH. Following this meeting, an offer was made to Dr Henrietta Ewart, who is working with the City Council on an interim basis.
- 3.2 Following lengthy discussions with Dr Ewart regarding the terms and conditions of her employment in relation to continuous service, she has now decided not to accept the Council's offer of employment and will therefore leave Peterborough on 22 February 2015.
- 3.3 It is a statutory requirement that the Council has in place a DPH (as per section 30 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012).
- 3.4 Discussions are ongoing regarding arrangements for a DPH and these will be reported and discussed at this meeting.

4. IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Following further discussions, financial implications will be reported to the Employment Committee meeting on 12 February 2015.

5. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 The proposed changes are to ensure that Peterborough City Council is able to deliver its statutory obligations under the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

6. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Department of Health Guidance on appointing directors of public health from 1 April 2013
– published October 2012