31ST JANUARY, 2024

REPORT NO. DEM2402

SELECTION OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR 2024/25

1. **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 This Report sets out the current position on the selection process for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor 2024/25.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council has established a process and criteria for selecting the Mayor and Deputy Mayor which is adopted as part of the Council's Constitution. A copy of the criteria is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 2.2 In accordance with the procedure, the Chief Executive wrote to all councillors in December 2023 to invite expressions of interest in the role of Deputy Mayor for 2024/25, progressing to the position of Mayor in 2025/26.

3. **PROPOSALS FOR NOMINATIONS**

- 3.1 Cllr Mara Makunura, who is currently the Deputy Mayor, has confirmed her wish to proceed through normal progression to the position of Mayor for 2024/25.
- 3.2 For the position of Deputy Mayor, it has not yet been possible to secure a nomination for recommendation to the Committee that meets all the requirements of the selection criteria. An update will be provided at the meeting however, it may be necessary to report back on a nomination at a later date.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (i) The Committee recommends to Council that Cllr Mara Makunura be appointed as Mayor-Elect for the 2024/25 Municipal Year.
- (ii) The Committee to note that the process for seeking a nomination for Deputy Mayor 2024/25 is underway with a view to securing a nomination in due course.

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