

Cole, Olga

From: Hall, Cllr Alan
Sent: 15 March 2019 23:06
To: Cole, Olga
Subject: Fwd: Ian Thomas - issues

Dear Olga

Here are my questions to Cllr DeRyk

Please include this too

Alan

Begin forwarded message:

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Date: 6 March 2019 at 12:10:38 GMT
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Subject: Ian Thomas - issues

Dear Cllr Amanda De Ryk,

I am writing to you in my capacity as Chair of the Audit Panel to request further details of the Council's involvement in the Local Government Association and Solace deliberations on the appointment of local authority Chief Executives.

You will be aware that both organisations have cited Lewisham Council as an example of why they are considering this matter in their call for best practice guidance.

Furthermore, you are aware that the true and a full cost of Ian Thomas' departure remains a question.

You will be further aware that the Council's Auditors are taking an interest.

I would be very grateful if you could outline the Council's response for the Audit Panel meeting. The papers need to be despatched in good time.

Yours faithfully

Alan

Cllr Alan Hall

Cole, Olga

From: Hall, Cllr Alan
Sent: 15 March 2019 23:05
To: Cole, Olga
Subject: Fwd: Further to your email...

Dear Olga

Please include this response in the Audit Panel papers - as an appendix to Management Response to VFM

Thanks

Alan

Begin forwarded message:

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Subject: Further to your email...

Dear Alan,

Thanks for you email.

In terms of my response to your questions, I am not aware that the Council had any involvement in any SOLACE/LGA deliberations on the appointment of Chief Executives. Should the Council's Auditors raise any issue with the Council, we will respond appropriately.

Details have been supplied about the costs of recruitment and the costs of interim arrangements in previous correspondence and answers to your Council Questions. I am afraid that specific details relating to individual employees do not fall within the terms of reference of the Audit Panel.

With best wishes,

Amanda

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