


Agenda Item No:	<b>13</b>	
Committee:	<b>Council</b>	
Date:	<b>13 July 2017</b>	
Report Title:	<b>NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MONITORING OFFICER</b>	

## 1 Purpose / Summary

- To advise Members of the appointment of Stephen Gerrard, Interim Director of Law and Governance at Peterborough City Council as the Council's Deputy Monitoring Officer.
- To approve the Council entering into a Section 113 agreement which enables local authorities to place officer/officers of one at the disposal of the other for the purposes of discharging the latter's functions.

## 2 Key issues

- Section 2.3 of Article 12 of the Constitution enables the Monitoring Officer to designate another officer to deputise in their absence.
- Kim Sawyer and Alison Stuart, previous Deputy Monitoring Officers have moved on to positions in other authorities.
- Stephen Gerrard is an experienced Monitoring Officer and previous Director of Governance and therefore has good knowledge and experience of the role.
- The Council currently has a legal partnership arrangement with Peterborough City Council for legal support which commenced on 1 March 2016. The Deputy Monitoring Officer arrangement will be an extension of this agreement.

## 3 Recommendations

- To note the appointment of Stephen Gerrard, Interim Director of Law and Governance - Peterborough City Council, as the Council's Deputy Monitoring Officer.
- To approve that Fenland District Council enter into a Section 113 (of the Local Government Act 1972) agreement for the new Deputy Monitoring Officer to be able to carry out their duties.

Wards Affected	ALL
Forward Plan Reference	N/A
Portfolio Holder	Cllr John Clark, Leader of the Council
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Background Papers

Section 5 Local Government and Housing Act 1989  
Functions and Responsibilities (Amendment) Regs 2001  
Constitution