

Committee: Shareholder Committee

Date: Wednesday 11 December 2024

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor David Hingley (Chairman)

Councillor Tom Beckett
Councillor Rob Pattenden

Councillor Lesley McLean (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Nick Cotter

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. **Minutes** (Pages 7 - 14)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16 October 2024.

4. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman

5. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

6. Graven Hill Village Development Company (GHVDC) - Governance Review Action Plan Update (Pages 15 - 20)

Report of the Shareholder Representative

Purpose of report

This report presents an update of the Governance Review Action Plan, which commenced following a request at the Shareholder Committee meeting dated 05 July 2023 to ensure oversight of the remaining actions emerging from the Governance Review, carried out by WBD Solicitors.

Recommendations

The Shareholder Committee resolves:

1.1 To approve the updated Graven Hill Governance Review Action Plan attached at Exempt Appendix A.

7. Graven Hill Village Development Company (GHVDC) - Quarter Two Business Report 2024/25 (Pages 21 - 26)

An exempt version of this report and the exempt appendices are included on this agenda at a separate item

Report of the Shareholder

Purpose of report

To note, comment and approve recommendations in response to the GHVDC Quarter Two Business Report.

Recommendations

The Shareholder Committee is recommended to:

- 1.1 To note and comment on the GHVDC Quarter Two Business Report.
- 1.2 To approve the GHVDC Quarter Two Business Report
- 1.3 To approve the Minutes, actions and agreed outputs from the 10th October Strategy Session. Appendix C
- 1.4 To note and comment on the GHVDC Board skills audit. Appendix E.
- 1.5 To note and approve that GHVDC can pursue all necessary contractual remedies to recover costs from Iconic Development Group including recourse to litigation if required. Shareholder Committee consent is sought in accordance with Clause 7.1.23 of the 6th December 2021 Shareholder Agreement Matters requiring Consent of the Council.
- 8. Crown House Banbury Limited Quarter Two Business Report 2024/25 (Pages 27 32)

Report of the Shareholder Representative

Purpose of report

To note, comment and approve recommendations in response to Crown House Banbury Limited Quarter Two 2024/25 Business Report.

Recommendations

The Shareholder Committee is recommended to:

1.1 Note and comment on the Crown House Banbury Limited Quarter Two 2024/25 Business Report as contained in this report.

9. Exclusion of the Public and Press

The following items of business contain exempt information as defined in the following paragraphs of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Members are reminded that whilst the following items have been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider each of them in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to pass the following recommendation:

"That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 of Schedule 12A of that Act and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information."

10. Company Board Minutes (Pages 33 - 62)

Graven Hill Village Development Company (GHVDC) have regular board meetings. The meeting minutes have been presented to the Shareholder Committee for information.

Recommendations

For the Shareholder Committee to receive Graven Hill Village Development Company's (GHVDC) board minutes for any meetings held since they were last shared at the Shareholder Committee meeting on 26 June 2024.

Minutes of the 09 May 2024, 27 June 2024, 22 August 2024 and 26 September 2024 are attached

11. Graven Hill - Governance Review Action Plan Update - Exempt Appendix (Pages 63 - 66)

12. Graven Hill Village Development Company (GHVDC) - Quarter Two Business Report 2024/25 (Pages 67 - 148)

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

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Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

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