

DERBY HOMES LIMITED

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Held on Thursday 30 October 2008

The meeting started at 3.45 pm

Board Members Present:

David Batey, Paul Bayliss, Neal Burrows, Iain MacDonald, Amar Nath, Tabani Ndlovu, Bob Osler, Dennis Rees (Chair), Roy Webb, Ken Whitehead

Officers Present:

Phil Davies, Lorraine Watson, Shaun Bennett, Maria Murphy, Jackie Mitchell, Susan Hill

08/130 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Alison Brown, Mike Finister-Smith, Margaret Redfern, Mary Rowland, Gwen Stubley, and Michael Foote, Derby City Council.

08/131 Admission of Late Items

There were no late items.

08/132 Declarations of Interests

The Council Board Members were noted as declaring their interest in matters relating to Derby City Council.

The Tenant and Leaseholder Board Members declared their interests as tenants (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) of Derby City Council.

08/133 Election of Chair

Dennis Rees stood down as Chair of Derby Homes for 2007/08 during this item. Phil Davies, Chief Executive, took on responsibility for conducting the item dealing with the Election of Chair for 2008/09.

The Board was advised that only one nomination had been received from Dennis Rees for the position of Chair during 2008/09.

Agreed

That Dennis Rees is elected, uncontested, as Chair of Derby Homes for the year 2008/09.

08/134 Election of Vice Chairs

The Board was advised that two nominations had been received from Bob Osler (Independent Board Member) and Paul Bayliss (Council Board Member) for the two positions of Vice-Chair of the Board during 2008/09.

Agreed

The Board agreed that in accordance with Minute 2/18 that Bob Osler and Paul Bayliss be elected uncontested as the Vice Chairs of Derby Homes for the year 2008/09.

08/135 Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 25 September 2008

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2008 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

08/136 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

08/137 Announcements from the Chair

There were no announcements from the Chair.

08/138 Statements from members of the Board

There were no announcements from the Board.

08/139 Appointments to Committees and Local Housing Boards

The Board received a report recommending the appointment of Board Members to its various Committees and Local Housing Boards for the year 2008/09.

The Director & Company Secretary informed the Board of the newly appointed Board Members to Committees and Local Housing Board North in Appendix 1:

- Mike Finister-Smith to join Audit Committee
- Amar Nath to join Development & Regeneration Committee
- Alison Brown to join Local Housing Board North
- David Batey and Alison Brown to join Performance Management Committee
- Mike Finister-Smith to join Resources & Remuneration Committee.

There are two vacancies on the Governance Services Committee and Paul Bayliss had volunteered to join before the meeting. Neal Burrows volunteered at the meeting.

Agreed

The Board approved the appointments of:

1. Paul Bayliss and Neal Burrows to join the Governance Services Committee
2. the appointments to Derby Homes' Committees and Local Housing Boards for the forthcoming constitutional year.

08/140 Derby Homes Meetings 2008/09

The Board received a proposed schedule of dates for meetings of the Board and Committees during 2008/09.

Agreed

The Board approved the schedule of dates of meetings of the Board and Committees during 2008/09.

08/141 Board Members' Absences

The Board was advised of the potential breach of the rules governing Board Members' absences from Board meetings.

Gwen Stublely and Margaret Redfern had advised Derby Homes that they are unable to attend Board meetings for the foreseeable future because of ill-health and in line with Article 18, the Board was asked to waive the Article and not remove the Board Members if there was a breach of this rule.

Agreed

The Board agreed to waive Article 18 in respect of Gwen Stubley and Margaret Redfern.

08/142 Appointment of Chair of Audit Committee

The Board received a report proposing the appointment of Mike Finister-Smith as Chair of the Audit Committee.

Martin Latham, the previous Audit Committee Chair, resigned from the Board in July 2008. Mike Finister-Smith has the financial experience required for this position and previously held the position of Chair of Audit Committee at another ALMO.

Agreed

The Board approved the appointment of Mike Finister-Smith as Chair of the Audit Committee.

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 27 November 2008 at 6.00 pm at Cardinal Square.

The meeting ended at 3.52 pm.

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CHAIR

Signed as true and accurate record of the meeting held on 30 October 2008.