

Agenda

Shareholder Meeting

Date: **Tuesday 22 January 2019**

Time: **5.00 pm**

Place: **St Aldate's Room - Oxford Town Hall**

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Shareholder Meeting

Membership

Chair

Councillor Susan Brown

Councillor Mary Clarkson

Councillor Alex Hollingsworth

Councillor Mike Rowley

Councillor Linda Smith

Councillor Louise Upton

Councillor Nigel Chapman

Councillor Tom Hayes

Councillor Christine Simm

Councillor Ed Turner

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AGENDA

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1 Apologies for absence	
2 Declarations of interest	
Items to be considered in private - matters exempt from publication	
<p>If the Shareholder wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for the Shareholder to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.</p> <p>The Shareholder may maintain the exemption if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</p>	
3 Minutes of the previous meeting	7 - 8
<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That the Housing Group Shareholder resolves to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 December 2018.</p>	
4 Companies Scrutiny Panel: comment and recommendations	
<p>The Companies' Scrutiny Panel met on 12 December 2018 to consider the previous version of the report on "The future strategic direction of OCHL". The Panel's recommendations were considered and accepted by the Shareholder at the meeting on 17 December 2018.</p> <p>The Companies' Scrutiny Panel has not met to consider the revised version of the report and has no comments or recommendations for this Shareholder meeting.</p>	
5 The future strategic direction of OCHL	9 - 54
<p>Stephen Clarke, Director and Chair of the OCHL Board, has submitted a report to inform the OCHL Shareholder of the current financial</p>	

performance of the Housing Group of companies and recent implemented changes to Government housing policy and potential outcomes of recent Government consultations that could impact on OCHL's operating environment and strategic purpose.

Recommendation:

That the OCHL Shareholder resolves to:

1. **Note** OCHL's current financial performance
2. **Note** Government's recent changes and consultations associated with its housing policy and to request a further report examining options for the future direction of OCHL together with a revised business plan for approval.

Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

*Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

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