

# Agenda

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## Shareholder Meeting

Date: **Thursday 30 May 2019**

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Time: **6.00 pm**

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Place: **Long Room - Oxford Town Hall**

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# Shareholder Meeting

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### **Vice-Chair**

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Councillor Tom Hayes

Councillor Mike Rowley

Councillor Marie Tidball

Councillor Louise Upton

Councillor Mary Clarkson

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The Housing Group Shareholder Committee is recommended to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 January 2019.	
<b>4 APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR TO THE BOARDS OF THE HOUSING GROUP OF COMPANIES</b>	9 - 10
The Company Secretary will present this item.	
<b>Recommendation(s):</b>	
That the Housing Group Shareholder resolves to:	
1. Appoint Richard Connolly as a Director of Oxford City Housing Limited, Oxford City Housing (Development) Limited and Oxford City Housing (Investment) Limited with immediate effect.	
<b>5 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMPANIES' SCRUTINY PANEL</b>	
The Shareholder is invited to consider any recommendations arising from the Companies' Scrutiny Panel meeting on 28 May 2019.	
Any such recommendations will be circulated as a supplement to this agenda.	
<b>6 THE FUTURE STRATEGIC DIRECTION OF THE COUNCIL'S GROUP OF HOUSING COMPANIES</b>	11 - 20
To consider and approve changes to the arrangements between the Council's Group of Housing companies and the Council's Housing Revenue Account for the delivery of affordable housing in response to recent government policy changes and to agree to a review of future Housing Group development with a view to expanding activity and accelerating affordable housing delivery.	
<b>Recommendation(s):</b>	
1. The Shareholder is asked to approve the change in company policy as recommended in paragraph 8.	
2. The Shareholder is asked to agree the objectives of the review of the future role of OCHL group of companies as detailed at paragraph 10 of the report.	
3. The Shareholder is asked to agree the revised Oxford City Housing Limited business plan as detailed at Appendix 1.	

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| <b>7</b> | <b>CONFIDENTIAL APPENDICES - THE FUTURE STRATEGIC DIRECTION OF THE COUNCIL'S GROUP OF HOUSING COMPANIES</b>                                 | 21 - 26 |
|          | To consider the confidential appendices to the report on the future strategic direction of the Council's Group of Housing Companies.        |         |
| <b>8</b> | <b>CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</b>   | 27 - 30 |
|          | The Housing Group Shareholder Committee is recommended to approve the confidential minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 January 2019. |         |

## **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.

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