SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of The Shareholder Board

Date: Wednesday, 13th October, 2021
Place: MS Teams

Present: Councillor I Gilbert (Chair)

Councillors K Buck, T Cox, M Davidson, M Dent, C Mulroney,

R Woodley and D Nelson

In Attendance: J Chesterton, Mr M Gatrell, S Dolling, G Halksworth and A Richards,

G Halksworth

Also in attendance: M Gatrell (SEH), D Lyons (SEH), R Eastwood

(SEH), P Little (Southend Care Ltd), J Manzoni (Southend

Care Ltd)

Start/End Time: 6.30 - 8.15 pm

1 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence at this meeting.

2 Declarations of Interest

(a) Councillor Davidson – Agenda Items 5 and 6 (SEH – Receipt of Accounts and Review of Business Plan) – Disclosable non-pecuniary interest – Council appointed Member to the South Essex Homes Board (withdrew);

3 Minutes of the meeting held on 1st December 2020

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st December 2020, be confirmed as a correct record.

4 Southend-on-Sea Forum Management Company

The Board considered a report from the Executive Director (Adults and Communities) presenting the financial statements of the Southend-on-Sea Forum Management Company for year ended 31 July 2020.

The Committee asked a number of questions which responded to by officers and representatives of the company.

In consideration of the report the Committee commented on the need to review the Board's role in the monitoring and scrutinising performance for all Joint Venture Bodies.

The Chair undertook to include in the Council's current review of its governance arrangements the performance monitoring and scrutiny of the Joint Venture Bodies and where / if appropriate, the review to make recommendations on the level of scrutiny and/or where it needs to take place. Officers would also review the Shareholder Board Terms of Reference to ensure that the necessary performance monitoring requirements are covered.

Resolved:

That the financial statements of Southend-on-Sea Forum Management Company for the year ended 31 July 2020, be noted.

5 South Essex Homes Limited - Receipt of Accounts 2020/21

The Board considered a report from the Executive Director (Finance and Resources) presenting the financial statements of South Essex Homes Ltd for year ended 31 March 2021, together with the report of their auditors.

The Committee asked a number of questions which were responded to by representatives from South Essex Homes Ltd.

Resolved:

That the financial statements of South Essex Homes Ltd for the year ended 31 March 2021, together with the report of their auditors, be noted.

6 South Essex Homes Limited - Review of Business Plan

The Board considered a report of the Executive Director (Finance and Resources) presenting the current business plan for South Essex Homes Ltd for review.

The Board asked a number of questions which were responded to by representatives from South Essex Homes Ltd.

Resolved:

That the South Essex Homes Ltd Business Plan for 2021 to 2026, be noted.

7 Southend Care Limited - Receipt of Accounts 2020/21

The Board considered a report of the Executive Director (Finance and Resources) presenting the financial statements of Southend Care Ltd for year ended 31 March 2021, together with the report of their auditors.

The Board asked a number of questions which were responded to by representatives from Southend Care Ltd.

Resolved:

That the financial statements of Southend Care Ltd for the year ended 31 March 2021, together with the report of their auditors, be noted.

8 Southend Care Limited - Review of Business Plan

The Board considered a report from the Executive Director (Finance and Resources) presenting the business plan of Southend Care Ltd for review.

The Board asked a number of questions which were responded to by representatives from Southend Care Ltd.

Resolved:

That the Southend Care Ltd Business Plan for 2021/22, and the current 5-year financial forecast to 2025/26, be noted.

9 Governance Arrangements - Future Work Plan

The Board considered a report of the Executive Director (Finance and Resources) presenting a proposed future work programme for the Board.

The Executive Director (Finance and Resources) welcomed any other ideas or areas of shareholder interest which the Board would like to see come forward to future meetings. The Board asked officers to review the work programme and make arrangements for additional meeting(s) of the Shareholder Board as necessary.

Resolved:

That the Shareholder Board work programme be noted and that arrangements for additional meeting(s) of the Shareholder Board be made as necessary.