

BARNESLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

This matter is not a Key Decision within the Council's definition and has not been included in the relevant Forward Plan

Report of Director of Legal and Governance

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO THE BERNESLAI HOMES BOARD

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 A vacancy has arisen for two Council nominations to the Board of Berneslai Homes due to the three year term of office expiring for existing Councillor Board members.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **Recommended to Council on 4th February, 2016 that the nomination of Councillors Ennis and Makinson to the Berneslai Homes Board for a three year term be approved with immediate effect.**

3. Introduction

- 3.1 In accordance with the Berneslai Homes Memorandum of Articles and Association the Council has three Member representatives on the Berneslai Homes Board. Two of the Council representatives current three year terms of office will expire at the AGM in January 2016. The Council was advised of the vacancies and sought nominations from all councillors.
- 3.2 It is a requirement of the Berneslai Homes Memorandum of Articles and Association that all potential Board Members must undergo a "threshold interview" to ensure they meet the essential criteria and have the skills set required to undertake the role of a non executive director for each term of office they serve. Once applicants have passed the threshold the Council is then able to consider its appointment.
- 3.4 Following the Council's request for nominations Berneslai Homes received six applications and the threshold interview took place on 3rd December 2015. The councillors with the two highest scores and who both met the threshold were Councillors Ennis and Makinson and the panel are satisfied in recommending Councillors Ennis and Makinson as nominees to the Council.
- 3.5 Councillors Ennis and Makinson would commence on the Board from the AGM in January 2016.

4. Consideration of Alternative Approaches

- 4.1 There are no alternative approaches for consideration as it is a requirement of the Memorandum and Articles of Association that the Board has a balance of representatives from Independent members, Council nominees and Tenants

representatives. The Memorandum and Articles of Association were agreed by the Council and it has determined how an appropriate balance of member representation to the Berneslai Homes Board should be maintained.

5. Proposal and Justification

5.1 The agreed process for the nomination of Council representatives to the Board of Berneslai Homes has been followed. Following the notification to the Council that Council member vacancies had arisen six applications for the position were received. The threshold interviews were conducted, as required, and the two applicants with the highest scores and having met the essential criteria it is recommended that Councillors Ennis and Makinson be approved as the nominations from the Council to the Berneslai Homes Board.

6. Delivering Sustainable Community Strategy Ambitions and Local Area Agreement Outcomes

6.1 There are no implications arising directly from this report.

7. Long Term Sustainability of the Proposal

7.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

8. Impact on Local People

8.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

9. Compatibility with European Convention on Human Rights

9.1 This report is fully compatible with the Human Rights Act.

10. Promoting Equality and Diversity and Social Inclusion

10.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

11. Reduction of Crime and Disorder

11.1 In investigating the options set out in this report, the Council's duties under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 have been considered.

12. Conservation of Biodiversity

12.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

13. Risk Management Issues, including Health and Safety

13.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

14. Financial Implications

14.1 Consultations on the financial implications have taken place with representatives of the Executive Director of Finance.

14.2 There are no new financial implications arising from this report.

15. Employee Implications

15.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

16. Glossary

16.1 None.

17. List of Appendices

17.1 None.

18. Background Papers

18.1 Berneslai Homes Memorandum and Articles of Association, as amended December 2012.

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ANNEX

COUNCIL NOMINATION TO THE BERNESLAI HOMES BOARD

Consultations

(a) **Financial Implications**

None directly arising from this report

(b) **Employee Implications**

None directly arising from this report

(c) **Legal Implications**

None directly arising from this report

(d) **Policy Implications**

None directly arising from this report

(e) **ICT Implications**

None directly arising from this report

(f) **Local Members**

None directly arising from this report

(g) **Health and Safety Considerations**

None directly arising from this report

(h) **Property Implications**

None directly arising from this report

(i) **Implications for Other Services**

None directly arising from this report

(j) **Implications for Service Users**

None directly arising from this report

(k) **Communications Implications**

None directly arising from this report