Rother District Council

Report to - Council

Date - 19 December 2022

Report of the - Chief Executive

Subject - Appointment of Director of Housing Company

Recommendation: It be RESOLVED: That:

- 1) the resignation of Councillor John Barnes as a Company Director of the Council's Housing Company, Rother DC Housing Company Ltd be noted; and
- 2) a Councillor be appointed as Company Director to fill the current vacancy.

Introduction

- 1. As Members will be aware, the Council has established a local housing company (Rother DC Housing Company Ltd) to accelerate housing delivery and increase overall housing supply across the District. In July 2020, Cabinet approved the Articles of Association and the Shareholders Agreement and Councillors John Barnes, Charles Clark, Brian Drayson and Richard Thomas were appointed as Company Directors by full Council at its meeting in August (Minute C20/31 refers). Councillor Drayson was replaced by Councillor Lynn Langlands in September 2022.
- 2. The Council can appoint up to a maximum of four elected Members as Company Directors.
- 3. On 5 December 2022 Councillor John Barnes tendered his resignation with immediate effect. As the Shareholder of the Company, it is for full Council to remove and appoint Members to serve as Company Directors on the Board.

New Director

- 4. Council is invited to nominate a Councillor to fill the current Member vacancy on the Board of Directors.
- 5. Should there be more than one nomination received on the night, the appointment will be confirmed by secret ballot in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.4.

Conclusion

6. Council is invited to appoint a Councillor as a Company Director to serve on the Council's Housing Company's Board of Directors.

Malcolm Johnston Chief Executive