

Report to: Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Performance & Finance

Decision Date: 24 September 2024

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Peacock

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Report Summary	
Type of Report	Open Report / Non-Key Decision
Report Title	Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies and Council Owned Companies – Arkwood Developments
Purpose of Report	To change the Council's appointment of Director on Arkwood Developments Ltd from Councilor Claire Penny to Councillor Maurice Shakeshaft for the remainder of the 2024/25 Municipal Year.
Recommendations	That Councillor Maurice Shakeshaft be appointed as the Council's representative as Director on the Board of Arkwood Developments for the remainder of the 2024/25 Municipal Year.
Alternative Options Considered	The change in appointment is required to avoid a conflict of interest given the appointment of Councillor Claire Penny as the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Economic Development and subsequently a Member of the Cabinet and Executive Shareholder Committee.
Reason for Recommendation	To nominate a replacement representative to ensure the Board of Directors continues to have an elected Member representative, in accordance with the Company's Governance Arrangements.
Decision Taken	As per the recommendation.

## 1.0 Background

- 1.1 Under the Council's governance arrangements the appointment of representatives on outside bodies is reserved to the Leader of the Council.
- 1.2 The current Council representative on the Board of Arkwood Developments, Councillor Claire Penny, can no longer continue in ths role given the potential conflict of interest

arising from her appointment as the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Economic Development and her subsequebt membership of the Cabinet and the Execuitve Shareholder Committee which is responsible for the strategic oversight of Arkwood Developments Ltd.

1.3 It is therefore proposed that Councillor Maurice Shakeshaft replace Councillor Claire Penny on the Arkwood Developemnts Board of Directors, for the reminader of the 2024-25 Municipal Year.

## 2.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations officers have considered the following implications; Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding and Sustainability, and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

## **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None.