

NEWARK AND SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Executive Shareholder Committee** held in the Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, NG24 1BY on Tuesday, 24 March 2026 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor P Peacock (Chair)
Councillor J Kellas, Councillor S Forde, Councillor C Penny, Councillor S Crosby and Councillor P Taylor

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor N Allen and Councillor J Lee

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor R Cozens and Councillor L Brazier

41 NOTIFICATION TO THOSE PRESENT THAT THE MEETING WILL BE RECORDED AND STREAMED ONLINE

The Leader and Chair advised that the proceedings were being audio recorded and live streamed by the Council.

42 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Councillor S Forde declared an Other Registerable Interest as a Director of Active4Today.

Sanjiv Kohli declared an interest as a Director of Arkwood Developments.

43 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2025

The minutes from the meeting held on 9 December 2025 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

44 ACTIVE4TODAY PERFORMANCE - QUARTER 3

The Business Manager - Healthy Places and the Managing Director for Active4Today presented the performance report for the period 1 April 2025 to 31 January 2026. It was reported that the company's performance remained strong across both usage and membership and income and expenditure. It was noted that the company would cease its management of Southwell Leisure Centre on 31 March 2026 with Parkwood Leisure taking over.

The report also sought approval for the draft Business Plan for 2026-27 which showed a strong alignment with the Council's ambitions to improve health and wellbeing with an emphasis communities with lower levels of life expectancy.

AGREED (unanimously) that the Executive Shareholder Committee note the performance of Active4Today up to period 10, 2025-26 and approve the Business Plan 2026 - 2027 as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure that the shareholder has assurance and oversight of the company's performance ensuring that the company continues to deliver the outcomes required by the Council as aligned to the Councils Community Plan.

Options considered:

None, this report presents performance information for Active4Today.

45 ARKWOOD DEVELOPMENTS PERFORMANCE - QUARTER 3

The Non-Executive Director and Managing Director - Arkwood Developments Limited presented performance information for Quarter 3. The Committee were given updates in respect of The Osiers Development, Manea; Mill View Meadows, Wirksworth; Lowfield Lane, Balderton; Long Bennington; and Stodman Street in Newark. The Committee were also informed of future pipeline projections and strategic priorities for the company.

The Committee referred to the financial position of the company and the potential returns on future developments which were being delivered within budget.

AGREED (Unanimously) that the Arkwood Performance Report, attached as an Appendix to the report, be noted and the Committee consider the company's performance against its targets and objectives highlighting any areas of high performance and identifying areas for improvement.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure appropriate review of the Performance of the Councils wholly owned Housing Development Company (Arkwood).

Options considered:

None, this report presents performance information for Arkwood Developments.

46 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

AGREED (unanimously) that, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

47 ACTIVE4TODAY - STAFFING REPORT

The Committee considered the exempt report in relation to Active4Today staffing arrangements.

(Summary provided in accordance with Section 100C(2) of the Local Government Act 1972).

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Chair