

MINUTES

OF THE MEETING OF THE STREETWISE OVERSIGHT BOARD MONDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2021

Held at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber, Rushcliffe Arena, Rugby Road, West Bridgford

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors: S J Robinson (Chairman), A Edyvean and G Moore Officers: K Marriott (Chair), P Linfield and S Sull

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

N Carter Managing Director, Streetwise K Daniell Non-Executive Director, Streetwise

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

E Richardson

Executive Secretary

APOLOGIES:

Councillors

6 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies.

7 Exclusion of the Public

It was resolved that under Regulation 21(1)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

8 Minutes of the meeting held on 26th August 2021

The minutes of the Streetwise Oversight Board meeting on 26 August 2021 were approved as a true record.

The Chief Executive welcomed Cllr Moore as a new member of the Streetwise Oversight Board.

9 Business Plan Update

The Managing Director of Streetwise Environmental Ltd presented the Business Plan to the Board.

He confirmed that much time had been spent formulating the business

plan, and even considering recent events and the impact of the pandemic, it remained viable, albeit delayed by 18 months due to covid-19. He confirmed that the Streetwise Board had revisited the plan and targets and determined that fundamentally the strategy remained the same. He confirmed that the plan was underpinned by a combination of acquisitions and organic growth

He outlined strategic plans for the future, including organic growth through tenders, acquisitions and increasing grounds maintenance work. There were also proposals to expand the tree team.

The Managing Director referred to carbon neutral, being something that he fully supported, and which made commercial and environmental sense. He noted, however, that it was expensive to introduce and that some of the technology had not performed as required in trials.

Initial research suggested that the company vehicles could use alternative fuel based on vegetable oil, which would reduce carbon emissions immediately but would cost more.

Regarding the company's carbon reduction plan, Cllr Robinson suggested including milestones, such as a target to reduce CO2 emissions by X.

The Managing Director clarified regarding red diesel, that whilst the company could currently use red diesel in their tractors and some mowers which were not road using, the regulations were changing and that would no longer be possible.

The Board confirmed that it had been agreed for Keith Daniel's contract be extended to next year.

10 Revised Company Articles

The Monitoring Officer presented the revised company Articles to the Board.

The Articles have been updated to incorporate the new Streetwise Oversight Board into the definition section and for reserved matters that were previously dealt with by Rushcliffe Enterprises Ltd to now report to Streetwise Oversight Board.

The Board resolved to Approve the proposed variations to the Articles of the Streetwise Trading Ltd and to approve the changes to the Articles for the Streetwise Environmental Ltd.

11 Date of the Next Meeting

The Board agreed that the next meeting be arranged by the Company Secretary on a date convenient to all and to be held shortly after the Cabinet meeting in January 2022. The meeting closed at 11.15 am.

CHAIRMAN