

# SHAREHOLDER COMMITTEE FOR CARE DORSET HOLDINGS LTD MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19 DECEMBER 2022

**Present:** Cllrs Laura Beddow, Spencer Flower, Andrew Parry (Vice-Chairman) and Peter Wharf (Chairman)

Also present: Cllr Gary Suttle (via MS Teams) and Cllr Jane Somper

## Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):

Vivienne Broadhurst (Executive Director - People Adults), Aidan Dunn (Executive Director - Corporate Development S151), Chris Harrod (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Jonathan Mair (Director of Legal and Democratic and Monitoring Officer) Jonathan Price (Interim Corporate Director for Commissioning)

# 12. Apologies

No apologies were received.

Cllr G Suttle attended virtually via MS Teams.

## 13. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 30 September 2022 were signed and confirmed as a correct record.

## 14. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

# 15. **Public Participation**

No public statements or questions had been received.

## 16. Councillor Questions

No councillor questions had been received.

## 17. Forward Plan

The Forward Plan was noted.

## 18. **Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items.

# 19. Exempt Business

It was proposed by Cllr S Flower and seconded by Cllr A Parry:

## **Decision**

That the press and the public be excluded for the following 2 items in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of paragraphs 1 and 3 of schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

## 20. Care Dorset Update

The Managing Director for Care Dorset presented the report, which provided Committee Members with an overview of the work that had been undertaken, setting out some the key challenges that had been overcome since the previous meeting. The Board were confident that, going forward, there would be positive outcomes for both Care Dorset and, more importantly, its service users, as could already be evidenced in a number of cases.

Dorset Council officers confirmed that Care Dorset was proving to be an ongoing success and expressed optimism for its future and the positive outcomes that it would deliver for its service users. The Director of Legal and Democratic Services highlighted that he was in the process of resolving reserved matters relating to the shareholder's agreement with Care Dorset and would amend the Council's constitution once these matters had been agreed.

Following the presentation, the Chairman expressed his gratitude on behalf of the Committee towards the Managing Director for all that had been achieved in a short space of time and requested that the communications teams of both Dorset Council and Care Dorset ensured that public messaging was aligned.

#### Noted

## 21. Appointment of Interim Chair of Care Dorset Holdings Ltd

The Managing Director for Care Dorset presented the report which proposed the appointment of an Interim Chair of the Care Dorset Board, following the resignation of Mick Lowe.

Prior to the vote being taken on this item, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee requested that they be introduced to the proposed Interim Chair of the Board at the earliest available opportunity.

## **Decision**

- Note the resignation of the Chair of the Board, Mick Lowe, from Friday 2nd December due to personal reasons;
- 2. approve the recommendation of the Board that Caroline Tapster be appointed as Chair of Care Dorset Holding Ltd; and
- 3. authorise the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health to sign an ordinary resolution giving effect to this on behalf of the Shareholder.

Duration of meeting: 2.30 - 3.05 pm
Chairman