

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a virtual meeting of the **ASDV Shareholder Committee**
held on Tuesday, 24th November, 2020

PRESENT

Councillor S Carter (Chairman)
Councillor M Goldsmith (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors D Brown and L Smetham

Co-opted Members: J Kalnins and J Newton

Officers

Frank Jordan, Executive Director Place
Alex Thompson, Director of Finance and Customer Services
Asif Ibrahim, Head of Legal Services
Julie Gregory, Legal Services
Vicki Godfrey, Business Delivery Manager
Paul Mountford, Executive Democratic Services Officer

Apologies

Councillor S Handley

18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor D Brown declared a non-pecuniary interest as a former Chairman of CERF.

Councillor L Smetham declared a non-pecuniary interest as a former Director of Orbitas.

19 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

20 QUARTERLY COMPANY DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Committee received the latest available quarterly strategic report (Q2 2020/21 to 30th September 2020) from Transport Service Solutions Ltd.

The following attended the meeting to present the report and answer members' questions:

Councillor Jonathan Parry - Chairman
Kevin Melling – Managing Director
Glen Bubb – General Manager
Helen Green – Accountant

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Chairman thanked the representatives, who remained in the meeting for the following item relating to the TSS business plan.

The Committee would consider the quarterly strategic report further later in the meeting.

21 ASDV BUSINESS PLANS 21/22 REVIEW

The Committee considered the business plans of the following companies:

Transport Service Solutions Ltd

The following had remained in the meeting to present the business plan and answer members' questions:

Councillor Jonathan Parry - Chairman
Kevin Melling – Managing Director
Glen Bubb – General Manager
Helen Green – Accountant

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Chairman thanked the TSS representatives and acknowledged the service that the company had continued to provide throughout the pandemic.

The representatives then left the meeting.

Ansa Environmental Services Ltd

The Committee considered further detail regarding the Ansa business plan, having previously considered the plan at its meeting on 13th November, namely:

1. a view from Cheshire East Council, as shareholder, on the key requirements for the revised contract for 2021 onwards; and
2. a strengthened growth strategy, presented by the company, for expansion over the next 5 years.

The Executive Director Place gave a presentation on the Ansa contract refresh.

Following the Executive Director's presentation, Kevin Melling, Managing Director of Ansa, was invited to return to the meeting to give a further presentation and discuss issues of concern with the Committee. The Chairman then thanked Mr Melling who left the meeting.

The Committee gave further consideration to the TSS and Ansa business plans and to the quarterly strategic report for TSS.

RESOLVED

That

1. the quarterly strategic report for TSS be noted;
2. it be recommended to the Deputy Leader that the TSS business plan, along with the Ansa and Orbitas business plans, be accepted; and
3. the report to the Deputy Leader also contain the series of recommendations from the Committee aimed at improving assurance of the companies by the shareholder.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 4.28 pm

Councillor S Carter (Chairman)