

Item 35

BARNESLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

This matter is not a Key Decision within the Council's definition and has not been included in the relevant Forward Plan

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR, CORE SERVICES
CABINET ON 2 JULY 2018

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO THE BERNESLAI HOMES BOARD

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Two vacancies have arisen for a Council nomination to the Board of Berneslai Homes, due to:
- one Council Board Member retiring as a Councillor at the recent local elections;
 - the upcoming expiration of the three-year term of office for an existing Councillor Board Member.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **To approve the nomination two Councillors to the Berneslai Homes Board. The two Councillors who are recommended for appointment will be reported at the meeting.**

3. Introduction

- 3.1 In accordance with the Berneslai Homes Memorandum of Articles and Association the Council has three Member representatives on the Berneslai Homes Board. Our representatives were Councillors Makinson, Pourali and Unsworth.
- 3.2 However, Councillor Unsworth retired as a Member at the recent local elections and Councillor Pourali's three-year term of office is due to expire on 30th July 2018. The Council was advised of the vacancy and nominations were sought from all Councillors.
- 3.3 It is a requirement of the Articles and Association that all potential Board Members must undergo a "threshold interview" to ensure they meet the essential criteria and have the skills set required to undertake the role of a non executive director. Once applicants have passed the threshold the Council is then able to consider its appointment.
- 3.4 Following the Council's request for nominations Berneslai Homes received three applications. The threshold interview will take place on Monday, 25th June. The outcomes of these interviews will be reported orally to the meeting on 2nd July, and the Councillors who score the highest at the interview and meet the minimum threshold will be recommended as the Council's nominees to the Board.
- 3.5 Those Councillors nominated to the Board would commence in their roles with immediate effect.

4. Consideration of Alternative Approaches

- 4.1 There are no alternative approaches for consideration as it is a requirement of the Memorandum and Articles of Association that the Board has a balance of representatives from Independent members, Council nominees and Tenants representatives. The Memorandum and Articles of Association were agreed by the Council and it has determined how an appropriate balance of member representation to the Berneslai Homes Board should be maintained.

5. Proposal and Justification

- 5.1 The agreed process for the nomination of Council representatives to the Board of Berneslai Homes has been followed. Following the notification to the Council that Council member vacancies had arisen, three applications for the position were received. The threshold interviews will be conducted, as required, and the applicants with the highest scores who meet the essential criteria will be reported at the meeting, to be approved as the nominations from the Council to the Berneslai Homes Board.

6. Delivering Sustainable Community Strategy Ambitions and Local Area Agreement Outcomes

- 6.1 There are no implications arising directly from this report.

7. Long Term Sustainability of the Proposal

- 7.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

8. Impact on Local People

- 8.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

9. Compatibility with European Convention on Human Rights

- 9.1 This report is fully compatible with the Human Rights Act.

10. Promoting Equality and Diversity and Social Inclusion

- 10.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

11. Reduction of Crime and Disorder

- 11.1 In investigating the options set out in this report, the Council's duties under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 have been considered.

12. Conservation of Biodiversity

- 12.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

13. Risk Management Issues, including Health and Safety

- 13.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

14. Financial Implications

14.1 There are no new financial implications arising from this report.

15. Employee Implications

15.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

16. Glossary

16.1 None.

17. List of Appendices

17.1 None.

18. Background Papers

18.1 Berneslai Homes Memorandum and Articles of Association, as amended December 2012.

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