



Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Shirehall
Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
SY2 6ND

Date: Wednesday, 12 January 2022

Committee: Housing Supervisory Board

Date: Thursday, 20 January 2022

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting. The Agenda is attached

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<https://shropshire.gov.uk/HousingSupervisoryBoard20January2022>

There will be some access to the meeting room for members of the press and public but this will be limited for health and safety reasons.

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Tim Collard
Interim Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Housing Supervisory Board

Robert Macey (Chairman)
Vince Hunt (Vice Chairman)
Jeff Anderson
Julian Dean
Simon Jones

Heather Kidd
Tony Parsons
Dan Thomas
Robert Tindall

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Shelley Davies Committee Officer

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must declare their disclosable pecuniary interests and other registrable or non-registrable interests in any matter being considered at the meeting as set out in Appendix B of the Members' Code of Conduct and consider if they should leave the room prior to the item being considered. Further advice can be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

3 Minutes (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the minutes of the Housing Supervisory Board meeting held on 21st October 2021.

Contact: Shelley Davies on 01743 257718

4 Public Question Time

To receive any public questions or petitions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14. The deadline for this meeting is 2.00 pm, Tuesday, 18th January 2022.

5 Member Question Time

To receive any question of which Members of the Council have given notice. Deadline for notification for this meeting is 5.00pm, Monday, 17th January 2022.

6 Approval to Increase Share Capital of CDL

To receive a Report from the Assistant Director, Homes and Communities.
[Report to follow]

Contact Jane Trethewey

7 Cornovii Developments Limited - Update Report

To receive the Cornovii Developments Limited Update Report from the Assistant Director, Homes and Communities. [Report to follow]

Contact Jane Trethewey

8 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To resolve in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and Paragraph 10.4[3] of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following item.

9 Exempt Minutes (Pages 5 - 6)

To confirm the exempt minutes of the Housing Supervisory Board meeting held on 21st October 2021.

10 CDL Statement of Accounts and Auditors Finding Report 2020/21

To receive a Report from the Assistant Director, Homes and Communities.
[Report to follow]

Contact Jane Trethewey

11 Cornovii Developments Limited - Exempt Items Update Report

To receive the Cornovii Developments Limited Exempt Items Update Report from the Assistant Director, Homes and Communities. [Report to follow]

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Committee and Date

Housing Supervisory Board

20th January 2022

HOUSING SUPERVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 21 October 2021

In the Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

2.00 - 3.05 pm

Responsible Officer: Shelley Davies

Email: shelley.davies@shropshire.gov.uk Tel: 01743 257713

Present

Councillor Robert Macey

Councillors Vince Hunt (Vice Chairman), Jeff Anderson, Julian Dean, Simon Jones, Tony Parsons and Roger Evans (substitute for Heather Kidd)

16 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Heather Kidd (Substitute: Councillor Roger Evans), Robert Tindall and Dan Thomas.

17 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None were declared.

18 Minutes

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 2021 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

19 Public Question Time

There were no public questions.

20 Member Question Time

There were no Member questions.

21 Cornovii Developments Limited - Appointment of Chair of Board of Directors

Members received the report of the Assistant Director Homes and Communities in relation to the appointment of the new Chair of the Cornovii Developments Limited Board of Directors.

The Assistant Director Homes and Communities introduced the report and advised Members that a key recommendation from the Campbell Tickell review of Shropshire Council's governance arrangements of Cornovii Developments Limited was the

separation of the roles of the Managing Director and Chair of the Board of Directors and the appointment of an independent Chair.

It was reported that following a competitive interview process involving the CDL team, Tile Hill (Executive Recruitment Agency), the Chair of the Housing Supervisory Board and Shropshire Council Officers, Derek Humphreys had been selected as the preferred candidate for the position of Chair. The Assistant Director Homes and Communities added that Derek brings with him over 35 years' experience within the development and construction sector.

In response to a question from a Member in relation to whether the Chair should be invited to meetings of the Housing Supervisory Board, the Assistant Director Homes and Communities explained that the Board was welcome to invite the Chair if they wished to do but it was not a requirement for the Chair to attend these meetings. The Chairman suggested that a standing invitation be sent to the Chair of the CDL Board with the understanding that there was no expectation for him to attend.

RESOLVED: That the report of the Assistant Director Homes and Communities be noted.

22 **Cornovii Developments Limited - Update Report**

Members received the report of the Assistant Director Homes and Communities which gave an update from Cornovii Developments Limited (CDL) on the company's progress since the last meeting of the Board.

The Assistant Director Homes and Communities introduced the report and advised Members that all new homes at the Frith Close site had received an EPC rating of A and those at the Ellesmere Wharf site an EPC rating of B. It was explained that CDL were unable to achieve an EPC rating of A on the Ellesmere Wharf development due to significant abnormal costs associated with preparing the site.

It was reported by the Assistant Director Homes and Communities that as a result of two sites no longer proceeding the number of new homes to be delivered by CDL had been reduced from 574 to 532, however, the Company continued to identify new development opportunities across the County.

The Managing Director of CDL gave a brief update in relation to the current housing market and explained the difficulties being experienced in the sector at present in relation to the lack of building materials and labour shortages.

In response to questions the Managing Director of CDL outlined the remedial work required at the Ellesmere Wharf site and explained the reasons why it was not possible to fit solar panels to these properties. Following further debate in relation to the issue of solar panels at the Ellesmere Wharf site it was agreed that the CDL Board be asked to revisit this decision.

RESOLVED: That the report of the Assistant Director Homes and Communities be noted.

23 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED: That in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and paragraph 10.4(3) of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following items.

24 Exempt Minutes

RESOLVED: That the exempt minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 2021 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

25 Cornovii Developments Limited - Exempt Items Update Report

Members received an exempt report from the Assistant Director Homes and Communities.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

Signed (Chairman)

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