

## **Committee and Date**

Housing Supervisory Board

8<sup>th</sup> June 2023

# HOUSING SUPERVISORY BOARD

#### Minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2023 In the Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND 2.00 - 3.35 pm

**Responsible Officer**: Shelley Davies Email: shelley.davies@shropshire.gov.uk Tel: 01743 257718

#### Present

Councillor Robert Macey (Chairman) Councillors Vince Hunt (Vice Chairman), Jeff Anderson, Julian Dean, Ruth Houghton, Simon Jones, Heather Kidd and Tony Parsons

## 37 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

None received.

#### 38 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None were declared.

#### 39 Minutes

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 40 **Public Question Time**

There were no public questions.

#### 41 Member Question Time

There were no member questions.

#### 42 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 against the approved 10-year Business Plan.

The Assistant Director Homes and Communities introduced the report and referred to Appendix A which provided detail of the company's activity to the end of December 2022. It was reported that the current forecast estimated delivery of 736 homes with 19% of the homes to be delivered being affordable.

The Managing Director of CDL explained that it had been a challenging time for the company and gave an update on progress at the Ellesmere Wharf and Ifton Heath sites.

Responding to suggestions from Members, the Managing Director of CDL confirmed that a quarterly update on employment and training opportunities would be included in the update report and if possible, information in relation to site risk assessments would be shared with the Board, however, this information would need to be included in the exempt items update report.

In response to a question regarding timber frames, the Managing Director of CDL, explained that CDL used this method of construction due to the high EPC rating and added that as there was a producer locally it also offered support to a Shropshire company.

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

## 43 Summary of Cornovii Developments Limited 2023 Business Plan

Members received the report of the Assistant Director Homes and Communities which provided a summary of the Cornovii Developments Limited (CDL) 2023 Business Plan. It was noted that all commercially sensitive information, which if disclosed publicly would impact on the ability of the Company to trade commercially had been omitted.

Discussion ensued in relation to the proposal to enter into the Private Rented Market. The Managing Director of CDL provided information in relation to the management of the properties and it was confirmed that issues such as rent levels would be reported to the Housing Supervisory Board.

**RESOLVED:** That the Housing Supervisory Board received the Summary of the CDL 2023 Business Plan, noted the Company's proposal to enter into the Private Rented Market and confirmed that the plan meets Shareholder requirements.

#### 44 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.

#### 45 Exempt Minutes

**RESOLVED:** That the exempt minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 46 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.

## 47 Cornovii Developments Limited 2023 Business Plan

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

**RESOLVED:** That the recommendation detailed in the report be approved.

Signed (Chairman)

Date: